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## CHINESE GAIN CONFIDENCE IN ADVANCE

### RECAPTURE OF HANGCHOW ONLY MATTER OF TIME

### Fears for Foreigners, Including British Bishop, Now Felt

Shanghai, Jan. 4.  
The Chinese re-occupation of Hangchow is only a matter of time, according to the Chinese "Ironside" General, Chang Fah-kwei, who is directing the Chinese counter-offensive.

It is claimed that the Japanese forces in the city have withdrawn and the Japanese are suffering heavy casualties in severe fighting in the region of the West Lake and on the shores of Hangchow Bay.

The latest developments have aroused concern for the welfare of Bishop Curtis, an Englishman, and 30 other foreigners, in Hangchow.—*Reuter*.

#### Chinese Make Rapid Progress

Kiench, Jan. 4.  
Operating from their base at Hanchung in southeastern Anhwei, the Chinese left wing is rapidly advancing towards Szechuan and Muli on the Anhwei-Chelung border, according to military advisers received here to-day.

At the same time, the Chinese right wing is making progress in their advance towards Yangtze. The prospect of being surrounded, Japanese troops operating in the vicinity of Fuyang and Hangchow have now withdrawn toward Kiench and Kungshenkiang.

Both Linping on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway and Wukang, 50 kilometres north-west of Hangchow, are still in Japanese hands.—*Central News*.

#### Relentless Assault

Shanghai, Jan. 4.  
The Chinese forces in Chekiang, aided by the extensive operations of flying columns, continue to unleash a relentless assault upon the Japanese garrisoning the Hangchow area.

According to Chinese reports, detachments claim to have occupied two strategic approaches to Hangchow city. They have now reached Liuhota, located near Hangchow Christian College.

The two key points said to have been taken by the Chinese in their drive against Hangchow are Fuyang, 20 miles south-east of Hangchow, and Yuhang, only ten miles to the west of the port.

Chinese militiamen, in plain clothes, are said to be active in Hangchow itself, and the main body of Japanese troops is said to be slowly retreating.

Heavy fighting is said to be in progress in the vicinity of Hupochan.—*Reuter*.

#### Japanese Troops Withdrawn

Hsichow, Jan. 4.  
Quiet prevails on all fronts on the north bank of the Yangtze River.

Part of the Japanese troops at Hohsien and Wuwei in Anhwei are reported to have been withdrawn.—*Central News*.

#### Japanese Attempt To Land

Amoy, Jan. 4.  
Four Japanese warships fired over 40 shells at Chihito in Hsinghua Bay on the Fukien coast yesterday morning to cover the landing of marines, who, however, were repulsed by the Chinese forces defending the town.—*Central News*.

#### DEATH SENTENCE FOR SOVIET LEADERS

Moscow, Jan. 3.  
Eight prominent Soviet leaders, including M. Karakhan, a former Ambassador, who was recently arrested and brought to trial on charges of being implicated in a plot to overthrow the Government, were sentenced to death to-day.—*Reuter*.

### Vienna Doctors Arrive To Help Chinese

En route to Hankow to join the Chinese International Red Cross, four surgeons from Vienna have arrived in Hongkong. They are believed to have been recruited by Chinese officials in Europe.

They are accompanied by an Austro-American surgeon, Dr. H. Erben, who is also offering his services to the Chinese Red Cross.

The four doctors, G. F. Fuchs, S. Gottlieb, Dr. Erben and H. Winkler, are the first party to arrive in Hongkong from Vienna.

They disclosed that at least ten doctors have already been engaged in Vienna.

### STARVED CHILDREN PERISH

### Heart-Rending Teruel Scenes

Barcelona, Jan. 3.  
Both sides are fighting fiercely for Teruel in spite of the very bitter cold and deep snow, and the situation has been almost unchanged during the past 24 hours.

The Government claims that the Republican flag is now flying over the civic government building which Government forces captured in the morning, but the insurgents deny it has fallen.

Many corpses were found inside the building, it is alleged, including those of several children who died from starvation and a number of women and civilians who had been killed.—*Reuter*.

### SILVER PRICE TO BE UNCHANGED

New York, Jan. 3.  
Messrs. Dow Jones, well-known financial experts, learn authoritatively from Washington, that the United States Treasury will not change the current price for foreign silver.—*Reuter*.

### DELPHINUS ON TIME

The Imperial Airways plane Daedalus, which has temporarily replaced Delphinus on the Bangkok-Hongkong service, left Hanoi on time this morning, and is expected to arrive at Kai Tak at 2 p.m.

## Nation's Power Best Guarantee of Peace

### GRIM LITTLE MEN "MOP UP"



Wearing gas masks that give them a fearsome look, here are Japanese soldiers making a search through the ruins of a town in the Shanghai area for survivors of their recent shelling and bombing. Death awaits any they find hiding there.

### Jews Want Membership In Empire

### Best Solution Of Palestine Puzzle

London, Jan. 4.  
The British Zionist Federation, meeting under the presidency of Lady Reading, tonight passed a resolution affirming the rights of Jews to create their own state and record their opposition to any solution of the Palestine problem making the Jews a permanent minority.

The resolution requests that the proposed Zionist state should be brought within the British Empire. The Rev. Perleweig, Secretary of the British Zionist Association, in an interview with *Reuter*, explained that this changed view meant that Jews did not like mandates less but the British Empire more.

The Secretary added: "Recently we decided to reformulate our ideas stressing our urgent desire to come within the Empire. We have held back hitherto because of a desire not to embarrass British policy. But anti-British propaganda in the Near East has attained such a pitch that silence is now impossible."

The Rev. Perleweig emphasised that he spoke only for the British Zionists, but claimed 95 per cent. of the Palestine Jews would welcome such a decision with enthusiasm.

Later, the Executive Council of the British Zionist Federation adopted the resolution.—*Reuter*.

### JAPAN HAS LESSON TO LEARN

### Quo Tai-chi Has Faith In China's Endurance Power

London, Jan. 3.  
Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador to London, in discussing the Japanese peace terms said: "The inevitable impression of these terms is that they apply not only to China, but to the world, and they can only be described as Pax Japonica. The Japanese have a peculiar concept of peace, both in their methods of approaching it and then securing it. These are the terms of an army flushed with a momentary triumph, not of a finally victorious nation, a position which Japan has yet to achieve."

"Japan has twice begged China to sue for peace, but there can be no enduring peace except on an honourable basis. These terms equally ignore China's rights as an independent and sovereign state, and cynically belie Japan's many protestations that she will strictly respect the rights of the other power," he declared.

"She has yet to learn the full measure of the Chinese ability as a united people to endure any sufferings in their determination to resist to the end."—*Reuter*.

## EMERGENCY LAWS AGAIN IN FORCE

## H.K. Government Given Free Hand for Any Crisis Developing

Emergency regulations which were promulgated in 1931 during Sino-Japanese tension in North China, have been revived by the Hongkong Government during the present crisis.

By notification in this week's *Government Gazette*, the Colonial Secretary draws attention to the fact that these regulations are still in force.

They give the widest possible powers to the Police and Government in dealing with any emergency that may arise.

Police and any other public officers are empowered to arrest any person suspected of having contravened Emergency Regulations.

The Commissioner of Police, and any police officer authorised by him, is empowered to arrest and detain any person who apparently has no regular employment in the Colony, and such person may be ordered to leave the Colony forthwith. No trial is necessary before deportation is carried out.

The Governor-in-Council is empowered to suppress the printing or publication of any newspaper, and the Commissioner of Police may seize the plant of such newspapers.

Censorship of telegram from and to Hongkong may be enforced by Government without previous notice of intention. The Postmaster-General, or any person authorised by him, is empowered to seize, open and censor any letter received by the Post Office.

The Regulations authorise the Commissioner of Police to take possession of any premises in the Colony, and use or control them for any purpose which he may consider a public purpose. Similarly, any motor car, lorry or other vehicle may be commandeered by the Government.

Government may, without passage of any Ordinance-in-Council, take possession of coal, firewood and foodstuffs, and may dispose of them in any manner considered desirable in the public interest. Compensation will be paid only on goods not

### Uproar In Egyptian Parliament

Cairo, Jan. 3.  
Uproar broke out in the Egyptian Parliament when the Secretary read the prorogation decree. Nafaa Pasha was called to order when he rose to speak, but he remained on his feet shouting: "In the name of the Fatherland!"

The President cleared the press and public galleries in the chamber. Only after the lights had been switched off did the Deputies withdraw.—*Reuter*.

returned to their owners, and such compensation will be assessed by a board of arbitrators appointed by the Governor.

Divergence from the tenet that a "Briton's home is his castle" is the clause empowering any person authorised under the Regulations to "do anything to effect any entry which he may consider necessary to enable him to exercise the powers conferred upon him by the Regulations."

## ROOSEVELT HOLDS DEMOCRACY TENDS TO ERADICATE WAR

### Disregard of Obligations Follows Trend to Other Forms of Government

Washington, Jan. 3.  
Unswerving faith in the future of democratic government was expressed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in his eagerly awaited address to the second regular session of the 79th Congress.

In his message, the President said that in spite of the determination of the United States for peace it had become clear that the acts and policies of nations in other parts of the world had far-reaching effects, not only upon their immediate neighbours, but also on the United States.

"I am thankful I can tell you our nation is at peace," declared President Roosevelt. "It has kept the peace despite provocations which in other days, because of their seriousness, could well have engendered war. The People and the Government of the United States have shown a capacity for restraint and a civilised approach to the purposes of peace, while at the same time we maintain the integrity inherent in the sovereignty of 130,000,000 people, lest we weaken and destroy our influence for peace and jeopardise the sovereignty itself."

"It is our traditional policy to live at peace with other nations. Further we have been leaders in advocating the use of pacific methods in discussion and conciliation in international differences. We have striven for the reduction of military forces, but in a world of high tension and disorder where stable civilisation is actually threatened, it becomes the responsibility of each nation striving for peace at home and peace and among the other nations, to be strong enough to ensure the observance of those fundamental principles for a peaceful solution of conflicts, which is the only ultimate basis of orderly existence."

"Resolute in our determination to respect the rights of others and to command respect for rights ourselves, we must keep ourselves adequately strong in self-defence. There is a trend away from the observance of both the letter and the spirit of treaties. We propose to (Continued on Page 4.)

## LONDON APPLAUDS ROOSEVELT

### Democracies Move On Parallel Lines Of Policy

London, Jan. 3.  
The tone and substance of President Roosevelt's speech to Congress has been much welcomed in authoritative British circles. The President's heartening remarks with regard to democracy are considered to be particularly timely and are entirely shared here, as also was his reference to treaty obligations.

It is clear there is complete unity of view with regard to what President Roosevelt calls "the surface trend away from democratic forms."

Clearly, also, British and American thought is working in the same direction and British and American statesmen have the same way of looking at these things. This, coupled with close collaboration and the exchange of information and opinion, which has long been the practice between the two countries, should facilitate following individual, but parallel, courses.—*Reuter*.

## Dictators To Travel Road Of Triumph

### Rome Plans Welcome For Der Fuhrer

Rome, Jan. 3.  
A new railway station is to be built at Rome for Herr Adolf Hitler's visit next Spring. The distance from the present station to the Palazzo Venezia is too short for the magnificent Roman triumph which it is planned to give the Fuhrer. Moreover, the way does not lead to the excavated remains of ancient Rome.

The new station will be built just outside the city walls, and the Dictators will be able to drive along the Triumphal Way by the imposing road built by the ancient emperors after their successful wars. The Dictators will then be able to drive past the Palatine Hill and Colosseum, under the Arch of Constantine and along the peristyle way to the excavated remains of the Forum and the Palazzo Venezia.—*Reuter*.

## STOP PRESS

### Tsingtao Volunteers In Action

Tsingtao, Jan. 4.  
Twenty-two Chinese pirates, stealing coal from a naval wharf here, were captured by foreign volunteers last night.

The volunteers approached the wharf from the sea in junks while the fireboats were busy loading their own craft with coal.

In a running battle the majority of the robbers escaped to sea in their junks but 22 were cut off and captured.

Police junks have now been stationed at the entrance of the harbour to guard against further depredations.

The city's Chinese volunteer administrators are now laying plans to take over all administrative duties from the foreign volunteers. Volunteer police stations have been established within the destroyed Japanese mills as a precaution against further looting of Japanese-owned property.

Meanwhile, the British sloop Grimsby arrived yesterday from Hongkong, will make a short stay here and then proceed to Weihaiwei.

A Japanese warship, believed to be a minesweeper, came to Tsingtao yesterday, appearing just opposite the Grand Hotel. The warship later steamed away.—*Reuter*.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)



# GAY COLOUR NOTES

By  
Mary  
Grace



A musical motif is striking on bodice and pocket of a simply cut dress.

TO the woman who is handy with her needle embroidery is a fascinating recreation. A plain piece of material turned into a lovely piece of work admired by friends gives a great feeling of personal satisfaction.

And now we have a chance to give fashionable clothes that individual touch which we all like to attain. For Paris is showing not only blouses and lingerie, but dresses trimmed with attractive handwork.

Our artist has sketched four typical versions of the new embroidery vogue, all of which are being shown this season in Paris.

What do you think of the blouse with its musical trimming? The bars are worked in outline stitch. Start from the right hand side and hold your work so that you embroider upwards.

Bring the needle through from the wrong side, keep your needle facing down when taking each stitch, and remember to keep the thread to the left of the needle.

Do the next stitch from above, and bear in mind that the bottom of each stitch must come out close to the top of the preceding one.

This same stitch is used for the entire piece of embroidery, but the notes are filled in with satin stitch. This is simply a series of even strokes stitched very close together so that none of the material shows.

The little blouse with its pleated pie-frill neck has a tiny posy of flowers outlining its pinfold front. Both this and the Hungarian design on the coat can be carried out in wool in any daisy stitch, satin stitch, and stem stitch. The first-named is an extremely popular form of embroidery.

Tiny houses, garden rakes, flower in



MIDGE

"You're not really asleep. Come and be a bear."

## SMILE PLEASE...

A GROUP of us were discussing a man who was well known for his public work and eminent gifts. Everyone had something to say about his varying contributions, his oratory, his philanthropy, his self-sacrifice. One woman remained rather silent. Afterwards she told me why.

"I know it seems childish of me," she confessed, "and I realize that all you were saying was quite true. I don't for a moment want to deny all the great things which this man has done, but I have never forgotten an incident that happened nearly twenty years ago."

"I was very young, and had only just begun my office work. I had to meet this man one day, show him the way to a committee, take his hat and important look after him."

Important Detail

"I remember that he handed me his hat without a smile, hardly looked at me, in fact treated me as if I had been a piece of furniture. I expect I was unduly sensitive, but I felt that if he had just smiled I would have made all the difference."

When people are preoccupied they are apt to miss these small points. Of course, they don't do it on purpose; in fact, they would be surprised if they

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pot, and single blooms are scattered round the buttonhole edge of the coat with the Peter Pan collar. With a little ingenuity you can make an extremely colourful and decorative jacket.

Lazy daisy is a very quickly worked stitch. It is used largely, as its name implies, for small daisy-like flowers. It is also used for tiny leaves. One stitch accounts for a small petal or leaf.

Start at the centre of flower or stem of leaf. Bring the needle through from the wrong side. Hold down the thread and insert needle again at the same place, bringing it out at top of petal.

Keeping thread over needle, pull it up to cover outline of petal. Secure the loop with a small bar stitch, which takes your needle to the back again to start the next petal.

This stitch can be employed with good effect on lingerie collars and cuffs as well as on clothes for baby. Embroidery cotton or silk can be used for the finer materials and wools for heavier fabrics.

A good effect can be obtained on bolero jumpers or caps by making small daisies together so that you can hardly see the background.

The secret is to keep the stitches simple, for in this way a gay, bold design is achieved, especially if you choose your colouring with care. The little houses, for instance, could be all carried out in outline stitch.

A large variety of embroidery transfers are always available in the shops, and are easy to iron on to your work. If, however, you have a pattern or traced your own design it is a simple matter to transfer it to material by means of an embroidery carbon.

Use a white one for dark materials and a dark one for light. Place your carbon between your fabric and the design, and trace over the outline with a stylus or knitting needle.

The fourth blouse shown has dice-shaped buttons as a finish. These are made from 1-inch squares of flannel in two different colours. The numbered dots are embroidered in a contrasting shade. The squares are tightly packed with cotton wool so that they do not lose their shape.

Paris has also given us a labelling craze. Initials or names are added to handkerchiefs and small articles intended for Christmas presents.

The upright strokes of the letters are formed of ribbon tape or narrow pleated-edged strips of material, such as georgette or crepe.

The rest of the letter is embroidered with a small running stitch with another strand of silk threaded over to give a rope stitch effect.

## THESE CLOTHES ROB WINTER OF ITS STING

Warm Fashions For the New Year



TWO examples of smart and cosy suits designed for cold country house wear. One is in flame-coloured crepe with gold embroidery, and the second model is composed of leaf-green corduroy trousers, velvet jumper and short mess jacket.

I AM sure it is not the roast beef of Old England that has made us the hardy nation that we are, but the coldness of our country houses and the discomfort of our public schools.

If this supposition is correct, the two models sketched here should be viewed with alarm, for they infer that the blood of English women is probably changed into a chaffin tea-running cold, and that such women that she had never heard of central heating, you realise how pampered we are in these days.

Examine the girl wearing the leaf-green corduroy trousers suit. This is the model of a new house called

### Original Embroidery

Tiny flower posies give distinction to the little blouse with its deep pleated vestee and pie frill collar. The smart bolero is trimmed with a gay garden design in bold Hungarian colours. Dice-shaped buttons of flannel with embroidered spots are a practical novelty.

out of an English winter. One is a knee-length cape in thick, soft, mustard-coloured tweed woven by Welsh miners. The cape is attached to a waistcoat, and can be worn over skirts or woolly dresses. It looks equally well with brown, navy-blue, copper, prune colour, or dark green.

A lapis-blue suit in hand-woven tweed has a plain blue skirt and a blue and black check jacket. A dark green suit, in a curious flat cloth rather like felt, has a divided skirt and very new V-shaped inverted pleats at the back of the jacket, which has stand-out pockets.

The belt of this suit is of leather, with a small white string bull bag at one side in which you can tuck two or three golf balls. Jade-green suede is used for a suit with a box jacket, slim-fitting skirt and suede hat to match.

If you wish to continue this story of warm fashions for cold houses you have only to go on to the Echo de Paris and see the clothes designed by Princess Alfonso de Chimay, which are worn in many of the chilliest ancestral homes.

The "Band Master" suit sketched is a typical example of her evening suits. It is in flame-coloured crepe with bands of gold-thread embroidery. The slim-fitting skirt, slit up the front, has bands of the embroidery down the side seams as well. Another suit of much the same cut is in deep night-blue with squares of blue sequins on the front of the jacket.

For hunt balls there is an evening dress in violet silk jersey, with the backless bodice cut to a deep V in the front and fullness at the front of the skirt. Round the high waistline is tied a narrow rose-pink velvet ribbon, the streamers of which hang down the front of the skirt. A little draped jacket turns the frock into a dinner gown.

### Evening Clothes

SEQUINS are still in the front line of fashion. The latest idea is to have slender sequin trees growing from hemline of an ankle-length evening coat, bearing elegant branches and blossoms in the region of the shoulder blades and helping to make the wearer look slim.

Sometimes the tree design is repeated in sequins on the front of the coat. Another cold-weather idea for evening coats is red velvet lined with turquoise satin, suggesting warmth with a certain regal splendour.

Chiffon and fur as evening coats sound a contradictory combination, but they are used effectively when fox skins are mounted upright, leaving a space of about four inches between each skin.

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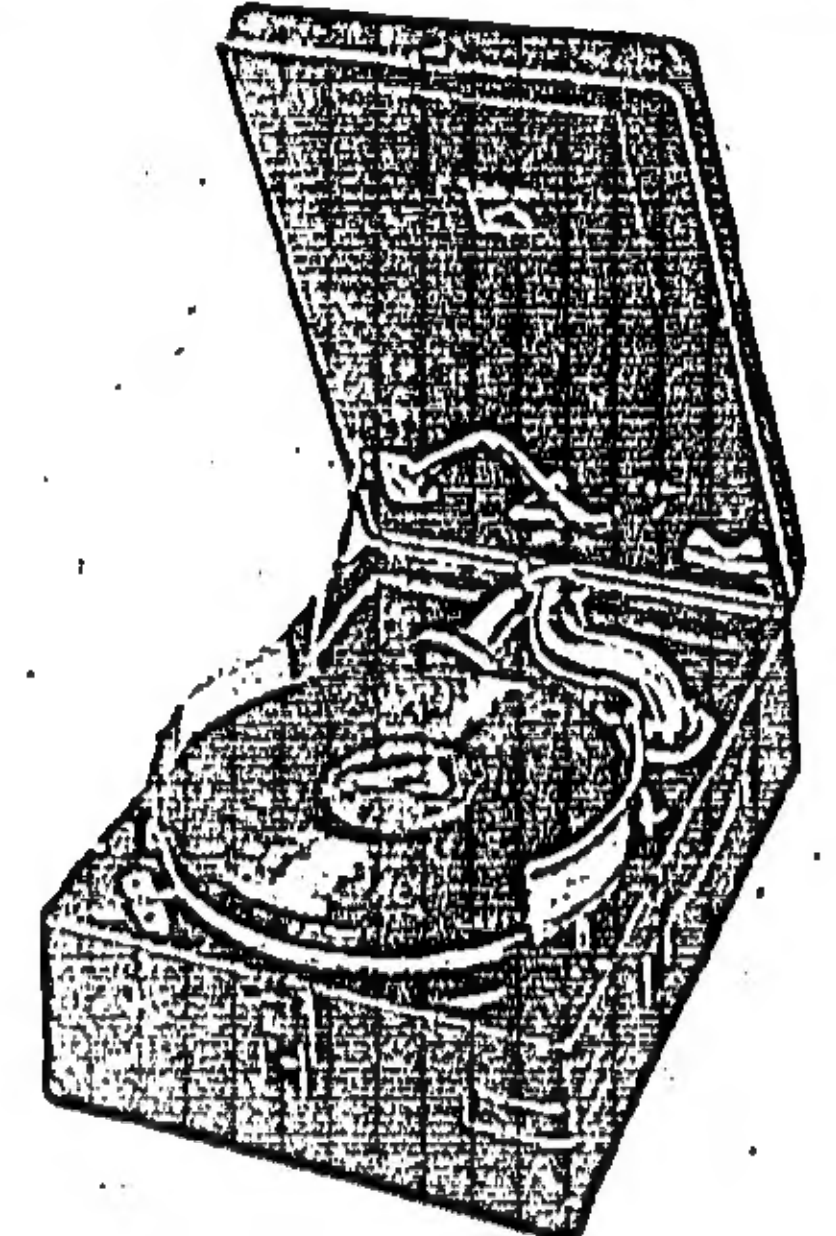
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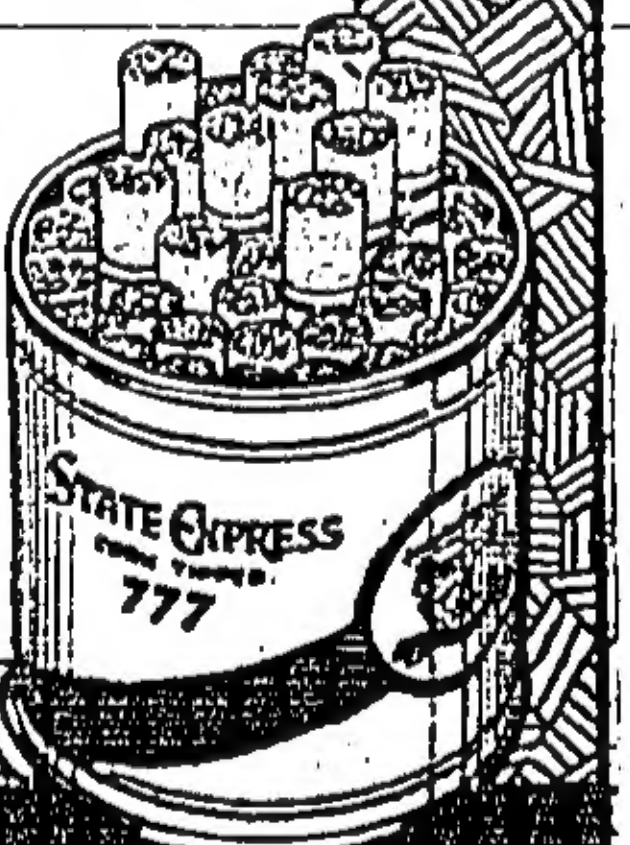
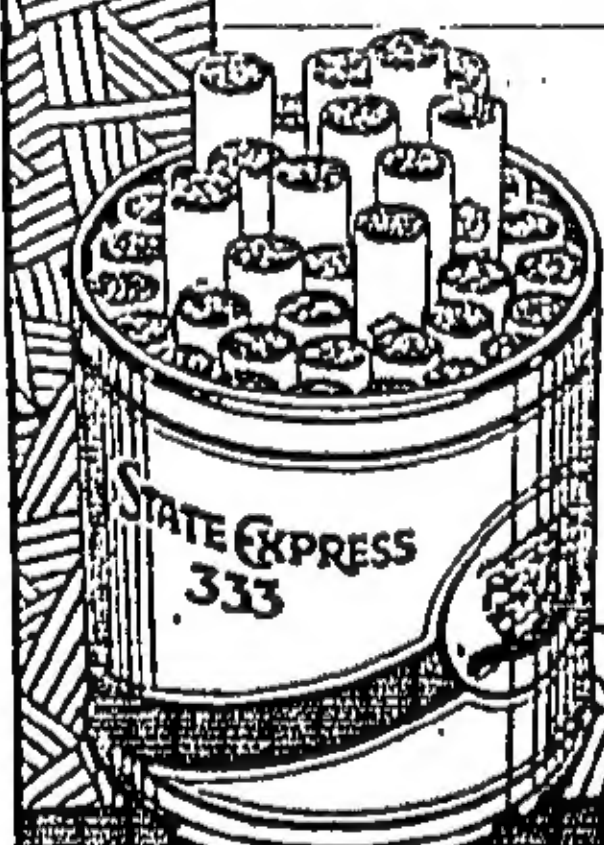
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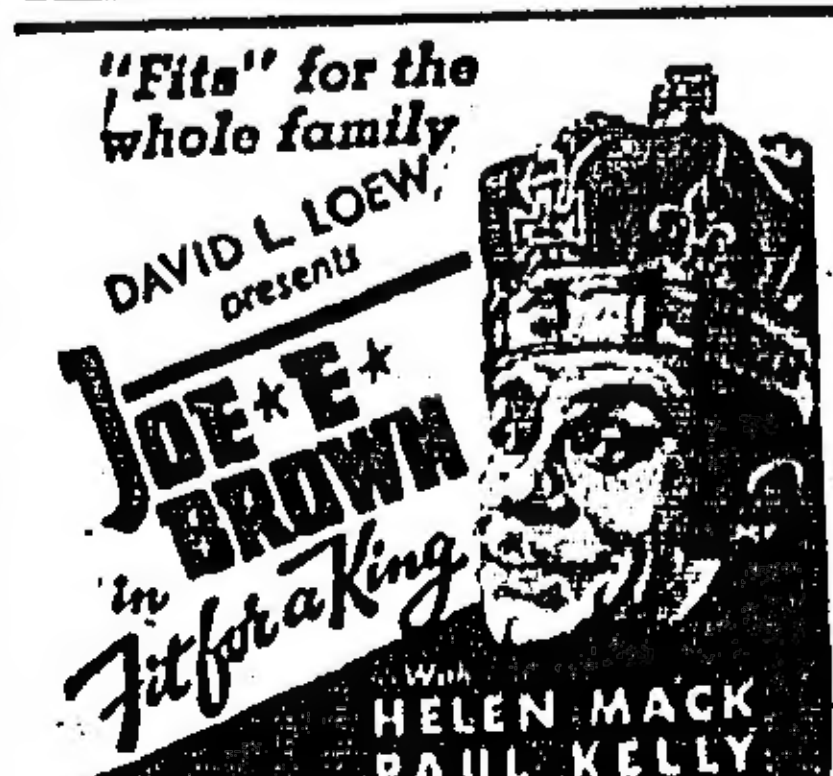
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# £10,000,000 Heir Refuses to See Bride

## Three-Minute Courtship: "I Don't Remember a Thing!"

### Says He Was Drunk

THE marriage of a £10,000,000 heir after a three-minute courtship had an amazing sequel recently.

Declaring that the marriage was the result of "some excellent whisky," the bridegroom added: "I don't remember a thing about it."

Miss Martha Barkley, the bride, has been refused access to her husband, Mr. Basil Ryan, grandson of the American "Copper King," Mr. Thomas F. Ryan.

After treatment for "acute alcoholism," the bridegroom, who is heir to part of the huge fortune left by his grandfather, Hickory, North Carolina, recently.

His lawyer said: "Mr. Ryan has one weakness—a desire at times for alcoholic beverages. He yielded to the temptation to give North Carolina's mountain whisky a trial. When he came to himself he learned that a marriage ceremony had been performed."

The bride, however, insists that Mr. Ryan was sober, in spite of the testimony of a doctor at the hospital that he was drunk.

When he left hospital Mr. Ryan placed himself entirely in the hands of his lawyer, and he is not seeing his wife, who is 21. Mr. Ryan is 29.

#### BRIDE'S STORY

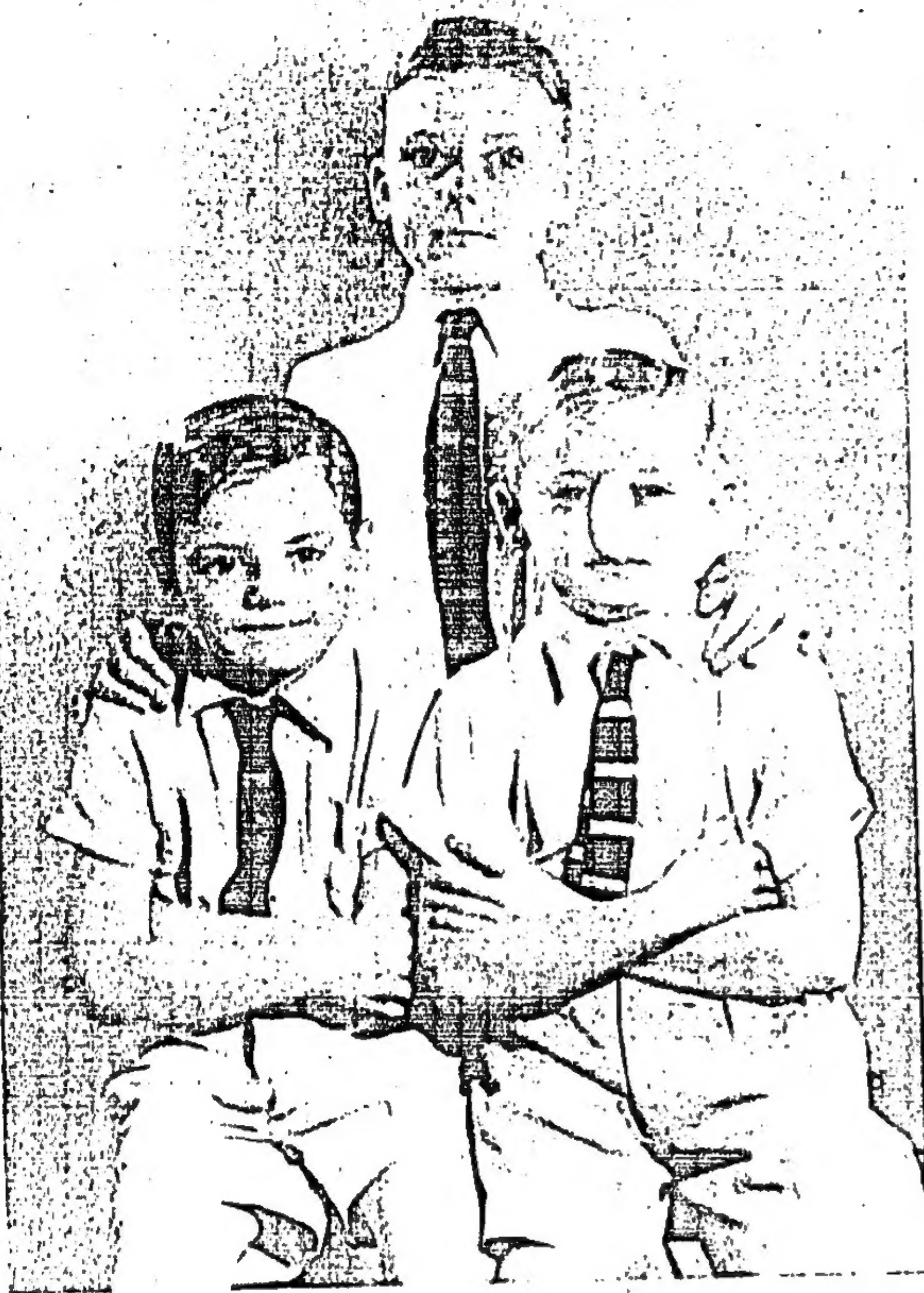
After the marriage it was revealed that Miss Barkley was already the mother of a baby.

The bride went home to her parents after spending one night in an hotel with her husband. The next time she saw him was in hospital, and she says there was no talk of annulment.

Her baby was born in September. Mr. Ryan knew about her former lover and about the baby, she said.

"He was terribly sympathetic. I think that was what won me."

### BOUND FOR AUSTRALIA



Masters Paul, Michael and John, the sons of Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Harriman, who will be leaving for Australia on January 9. —Photogen Studios.

### Trades Wife For Donkey

He asked me to marry him and I said "Yes." Support for Mr. Ryan's description of his condition on the day of the wedding was given by Mr. Albert Spurlock, a football coach, who said: "When I went to Ryan's room there was a girl and a baby in his bed. I shook him and said: 'What are you doing here with a girl and a baby?' He stared as if stunned and said: 'I don't know how this happened.'"

Adyar Atekhovitch has been sent to jail for four and a half years. Reason: He believed his wife was unfaithful, so traded her to a soldier for a donkey.

### SHAW CHUCKLES AS IBSEN'S 'GHOSTS' GO

London, Dec. 20.

GEORGE BERNARD SHAW, who, 40 years and more ago, championed Ibsen's "Ghosts" against all the tirades of Victorian respectability, chuckled gloomily when he learned that the present revival of the play at the Vaudeville Theatre had lasted only for a three-week season and was leaving London for Cambridge at the end of this week.

"If it's lasted three weeks, it's done very well," he said over the telephone from his country house near Welwyn. "A fortnight is all that an Ibsen play will stand to-day, usually."

"I have not seen Miss Marie Ney, but she must be very good if she can draw money for three weeks."

### SPECIAL EMPIRE CABLES

#### CAPE TOWN DOCK CONTRACT

Cape Town.

The contract for the reclamation and development of the foreshore here has been awarded to the Dutch firm, Hollandsche Aanneming Maatschappij, the contract price being £1,125,262.

This firm was responsible for the construction of the dock and basin at Soerabaya, Java, where the conditions were somewhat similar to those that exist here.

The successful tender was the lowest submitted. Work will begin early in 1938 and will, it is understood, continue for about three and a half years. The construction of a new dock and mole is involved.

German Aircraft Praised.—"Experience has shown us that for the present, until something better is on the market, Junker machines with American engines are our best proposition," said Mr. Pirow, Minister of Railways and of Defence, speaking in Johannesburg. For the time being," he added, "they give that guarantee for safety to which the public are entitled."

India

### PEASANT UNREST IN BIHAR

Calcutta.

The province of Bihar appears to be faced with a peasant revolt which threatens to assume serious proportions. Thousands of peasants marched on Patna, demanding that the Congress Government fulfil its election promises.

Mr. A. Sinha, the Finance Member, facing a crowd of 20,000, declared that the Congress ministers were mindful of the debt they owed the peasants, and were slowly doing their best to ameliorate their condition.

The illiterate peasants apparently sincerely believed that Congress rule meant almost the millennium. They demand a higher minimum price for sugar cane, reduction of rents by half, and abolition of debts owed to landlords for arrears of rent.

Fatal Village Riot.—One person has been killed and 24 wounded as a result of police firing on a crowd of land tenants in a village in the State of Patiala. The tenants have been refusing to pay land dues to the landlords.

New Governor of Bengal.—Lord Bhabbourne, the new Governor of Bengal, was warmly cheered when he arrived in Calcutta recently. The oath of allegiance was administered by the Chief Justice, while guns boomed a salute. Sir John Anderson, the retiring Governor, has left Bombay for England.

Australia

### BUSH FIRE ON SIX-MILE FRONT

Sydney.

A bush fire, sweeping along on a six-mile front near Macedon, Victoria, was only brought under control recently after a fight lasting 22 hours. The wife and family of Mr. Menzies, Attorney-General, had to abandon their country home and take refuge in the Macedon golf club.

Macedon itself was lucky to escape, the fire sweeping across the road just outside the town.

It is believed that the fire was deliberately started for the sake of the fine young grazing grass that follows fires. It was intended to affect a small area only, but got out of hand, and ended in disaster.

Chair of Botany.—Dr. Eric Ashby, of the Department of Botany, University of Bristol, has been appointed by the University of Sydney to succeed Prof. T. G. B. Osborn in the chair of botany. Prof. Osborn has been at Sydney since 1927.

### Leningrad "A Door To Spies"

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Moscow, Dec. 15.

The present Soviet electoral campaign is mainly being "fought" against foreign agents and Trotskyist spies.

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Special trains spread the same gospel through the grain belts and forests. The Soviet Press has been ordered to give almost the whole of its space to election propaganda.

Speaking at Leningrad, President Kalinin urged workers to make life impossible for foreign enemies in their midst. "Wherever he goes," said Mr. Kalinin, "the enemy must feel a hostile atmosphere and the ground running under him."

Leningrad used to be the window on to Europe, he said, but now it had become the door through which an enormous number of enemies entered the Soviet. Such enemies were more numerous than was supposed.

"As long as the capitalist regime lasts elsewhere hundreds and thousands of enemies will be sent to us. If and when the moment comes to fight, the fewer the number of threads connecting the capitalist world with individual spies inside Russia the stronger we shall be and the better it will be for the Red Army at the front."

#### PURGE EXPLAINED

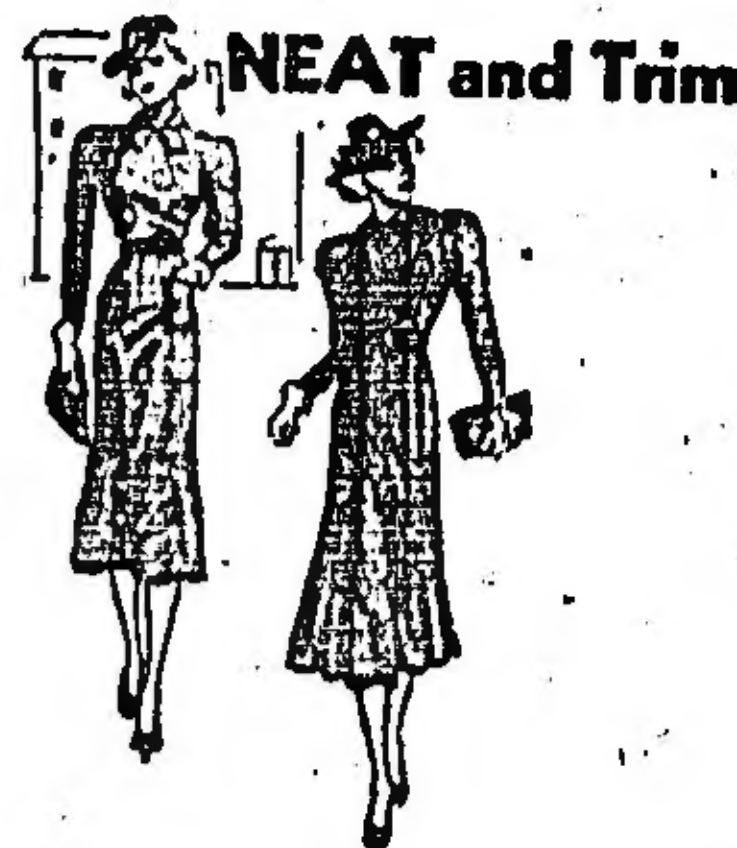
Explaining the present purge in the party, M. Kalinin declared that all left-wing groups who in the early years of the Revolution joined the Bolshevik party because they considered themselves separated from the masses by tactical details had now fallen into the hands of foreign bourgeois, who were using them for wrecking and terrorist acts.

The same theme was emphasised by M. Vyshinsky, Chief Soviet Prosecutor, in a speech to the electors of Saratoff. He said he would "exterminate" the Trotskyist monsters to the last man.

Twice the Soviet Government had done him a supreme honour, he said—once when he was ordered to prosecute the Zinovieff "gang" in August, 1936, and again in February this year, when he was told to show the world what funds Plutarkoff, Hudek and their fellow-conspirators were.

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## TELLS OF MENACE OF POISON GAS

### Lecturer Describes Effect And Best Safeguard

A most practical and interesting lecture of the Air Raid Precautions series was given at the China Fleet Club yesterday by Lieut.-Cmdr. B. M. Douglas, R.N. (Rtd.), another large attendance testifying to the enthusiasm with which the public has followed Government's lead in this subject.

Mustard gas, he said, would be the subject of a paper to itself next week for, despite the Geneva Gas Protocol of 1935, nations were not omitting guarding against the possibility of violation of the agreement not to use gas.

The speaker said: It may be of interest to give a very brief historical summary showing when the various gases were introduced by the Germans during the war and what was hoped to achieve with them.

The Germans delivered the first gas attack in April 1915, the gas used being chlorine. The surprise was of course complete and the allies were totally unprotected, and there seems to be a fairly general opinion that had the German General Staff realised the power of this new weapon and used it on a large scale, having sufficient reserves at hand to take advantage of the situation created, they might have been able to decide the war out of hand.

Protection against chlorine was very quickly forthcoming and in 1915 the Germans introduced Phosgene, which is more toxic or poisonous than chlorine and requires different protection.

They expected that we should have no protection against it, but fortunately the Intelligence Service had discovered in advance that the use of phosgene was contemplated and the troops were provided with the necessary protection before the Germans first used it. Both gases already mentioned are lethal.

#### Geneva Gas Protocol

Subsequent efforts were made by the Germans with lachrymatory or tear gases and arsenical compounds, the intended function of lachrymatory being to prevent a man putting his respirator on quickly due to his being practically blinded by tears and the arsenical compounds were intended to penetrate the respirator and cause so much coughing that the wearer would be forced to remove his mask.

These gases I have mentioned are non-persistent, that is, they do not hang around for a long time, except certain tear gases which show considerable persistence. In July 1917 Mustard Gas was first used by the Germans but as the lecture after next is entirely devoted to Mustard, I do not propose to say more about it to-day. As I told you in the introductory lecture the use of poison gas in war is forbidden by the Geneva Gas Protocol of 1925, which this Empire and all the most important countries are parties. Nevertheless the risk of gas being used remains a possibility and cannot be disregarded.

#### Experimental Station

There is at home a large experimental station manned by Naval, Military and Air Force Officers and men and a large staff of scientists who experiment with new gases, find the antidote for them devise and test respirators, protective clothing etc.

Any new gas is tried out generally first on a mouse, then a rabbit and finally on one of the staff so I do not think we should be caught unawares as we were in 1915. Every invention or suggestion is thoroughly investigated scientifically and practically, however crazy it may appear to be at first sight.

Gases are divided into two main groups, "Non-persistent" and "Persistent." When liberated into the air non-persistent gases form clouds of gas or arsenical smoke which drift along with the wind gradually mixing with larger quantities of air and so becoming less dangerous. "Persistent" gases are usually liquids which evaporate slowly giving off vapour.

#### Influence of Weather

The effectiveness of a gas may be considerably influenced by the weather. A high wind rapidly blows away non-persistent gas, or vapour arising from a persistent gas. In warm weather persistent liquids will give off vapour which will rise and readily become mixed with the air, but on the other hand the liquid evaporates more quickly than in cold weather. Frost has little effect on non-persistent gases but will freeze persistent liquids. Light rain has little effect on gas of either sort but heavy typhoon rain tends to wash the gas out of the air and also helps to wash away and destroy any persistent liquid on the ground. The most dangerous conditions therefore under which any gas may be used are in mild calm weather with or without fog. The absence of wind means that the rate of mixing the gas with the air will be slow therefore it will drift about in a dangerous concentration for a long time.

As I mentioned before, chlorine and Phosgene are the two main lethal non-persistent gases. Chlorine is a greenish yellow gas with an unpleasant pungent and suffocating odour of chloride of lime (bleaching

powder.) It is readily liquefied at ordinary temperatures by pressure and is therefore usually stored in steel cylinders. It attacks most metals and is soluble in water. When released it forms a greenish yellow cloud. It is a deadly lung irritant.

#### Lung Irritants

The effects of lung irritants, of course, depend on the amount of gas and the length of time you are exposed to them. The stronger the gas the greater the injury in a given time, a certain quantity must be breathed before it will do any real harm.

A person working hard is breathing a much greater volume of air than a person sitting still, so that given the same concentration the worker would suffer the greatest injury. That is why in my last lecture I advised you when in your shelters or houses if gas is present to put on your respirators and sit still. Even if gas is not present and there are a lot of others with you in a small space you must keep still as otherwise you are using up more than your share of oxygen. I think that only under very special circumstances there would be sufficient gas present to render one or two breaths dangerous so if you do get a whiff or two, don't think all is lost and turn your face to the wall.

The concentration of chlorine required to incapacitate in an exposure of two minutes is 1 in 10,000.

#### Avoiding Exertion

I will not attempt to give you the full medical details of the effects of these lung irritants as I cannot pronounce most of the long words they use—still less do I know what they mean—but anyone interested in that line may discover all he wants to know in Air Raid Precaution Handbook No. 3 "Medical Treatment of Gas Casualties" which can be obtained from Kelly and Walsh; anyone who can get them for you. What roughly happens in plain language is that these irritants attack the air cells of the lungs causing a fluid to be formed which prevents the passage of oxygen into the blood thereby causing the patient to collapse from lack of oxygen and death is frequently the result.

For this reason all exertion on the part of the victim must be avoided at all cost as exertion calls for more oxygen. Get a respirator on him—put him on a stretcher and carry it out of the gas. He must be kept warm because chattering teeth cause exertion, do not give him alcohol as it makes the heart go faster therefore demanding more oxygen. Artificial respiration should not be given unless he has stopped breathing. Hot, sweet tea will warm and refresh him. This treatment applies for all lung irritants or choking gases.

#### Deadly Phosgene

A more modern and deadly gas is phosgene. It again is non-persistent and is a colourless gas at ordinary temperatures but in the presence of moisture it forms into a thin, white cloud. It smells of musty hay and soon starts you off coughing. It is also a tear gas as well as being a very deadly lung irritant, the action is not so quickly apparent as chlorine but is progressive which makes it more dangerous as any exertion taken in this "delay action" period would probably put you out right away.

Both these gases would probably be mixed and released from cylinders.

Another, non-persistent gas which I have not mentioned before is hydrocyanic or prussic acid.

This is a colourless liquid smelling of bitter almonds and is a direct poison to the nervous system. In other words you become completely paralysed. This might be used in shells but it is not a very popular gas weapon owing to the danger to personnel in filling the shells and then later the stowage of projectiles filled with Prussic Acid. A concentration of 1 in 2,000 is very dangerous.

#### Non-Lethal Gases

There are also two non-lethal non-persistent gases which are perhaps worth mentioning. Diphenylamine-chlorarsine (D.M.A.) and chloroacetophenone (C.A.P.). The first one (D.M.A.) is a bright, yellow, solid crystal insoluble in water. When heated it melts and the vapour condenses into a parti-

## CANTON TRAIN DERAILED

### Heavy Casualties In Derailment

Canton, Jan. 3.  
About 60 were killed or seriously injured when a train from Canton to Wuchang was derailed at Huang-shihshun tunnel, about 120 miles north of Canton, at 11.20 p.m. yesterday.

The express included a locomotive and 12 coaches, which jumped the rails. Two were overturned, and inside were 20 dead, 10 being women and children. The accident, which occurred near the end of the tunnel, which due to a torn track.—International.

An investigation shows that the mishap was due to the loosening of the road bed by constant Japanese bombing. A recent torrential rain also contributed to weaken the road bed, says Central News.

culated cloud is, very fine particles of dust.

It has an irritating smell and causes coughing, sneezing, vomiting, pain in the nose, throat, chest and gums and has an immediate action. It would probably be released from generators or floats and requires a concentration of 1 in 8,000,000 to incapacitate in a 2-minute exposure.

The second one C.A.P. is also a solid but when heated gives off a sweet but irritating tear gas which also to a light degree irritates the skin—you get a prickly heat feeling on any exposed area of skin more especially in hot weather.

It is quite harmless and by facing the breeze for a minute or so it all clears away. This is used in all gas chambers for testing the fit of respirators.

The object of these two gases is as I mentioned before to prevent you putting your respirator on before a wave of lethal gas is put over.

#### Chloro-Pierin

There is also a semi-persistent gas known as chloro-pierin which is a pale yellow liquid having a pungent and lachrymatory smell. It is a deadly lung irritant causing vomiting and weeping with a rapid and progressive effect. It might be used in shells or projectors i.e. can be thrown out from trenches by a sort of trench mortar.

It is not a popular gas for some reason and I think as far as present day warfare is concerned the favourites for non-persistent gases are phosgene and chlorine in that order.

That concludes the non-persistent gases and I shall not touch on the persistent ones to-day that is mustard and lewisite as they form the subject of the lecture on Monday week.

It may be of interest to quote from a report on experiments recently carried out by the Chemical Defence Committee in England. This has, I know, been published in the Hongkong Daily Press of December 23 but for the benefit of those who did not see it, I will give you a short description of these tests.

#### Test on Cottage

The first test was a strong gas cloud on an unprotected room. The house selected was a game-keepers' cottage three rooms on the ground floor and three rooms upstairs, sheltered to a large extent by a belt of trees which reduced the strength of wind to about 1/8th.

Over a ton of chlorine was released 20 yards from the house so that the wind carried it straight to an unprotected room. A very strong gas cloud was thus maintained for 40 minutes, during which time the gas gradually penetrated to the inside. A fire was burning in the hearth the whole time and the only measures taken to exclude the gas consisted of closing the doors and windows in the usual way.

In about seven minutes it became necessary for them to put on their respirators.

The quantity of chlorine concentrated on the house could only under practical conditions have been obtained by several large gas bombs dropping near to the house and the period of exposure to the maximum effort of the gas was much longer than would normally be experienced.

Tear gas was used for another experiment and the cottage was enveloped for an hour in an intense atmosphere caused by spraying the gas into the air ten yards from the house. Men 200 yards down wind from the house were incapacitated in about one minute and in some cases 20 seconds. Men in the house in a room with windows and doors closed lasted 13 minutes without putting on their respirators. A third experiment was made with arsenical smoke and the cottage was enveloped in a dense cloud for 20 minutes. Men occupying an unprotected room found the smoke soon penetrated and when civilian respirators were worn complete protection was obtained.

This concluded the lecture, and Cmdr. Douglas was accorded hearty applause.

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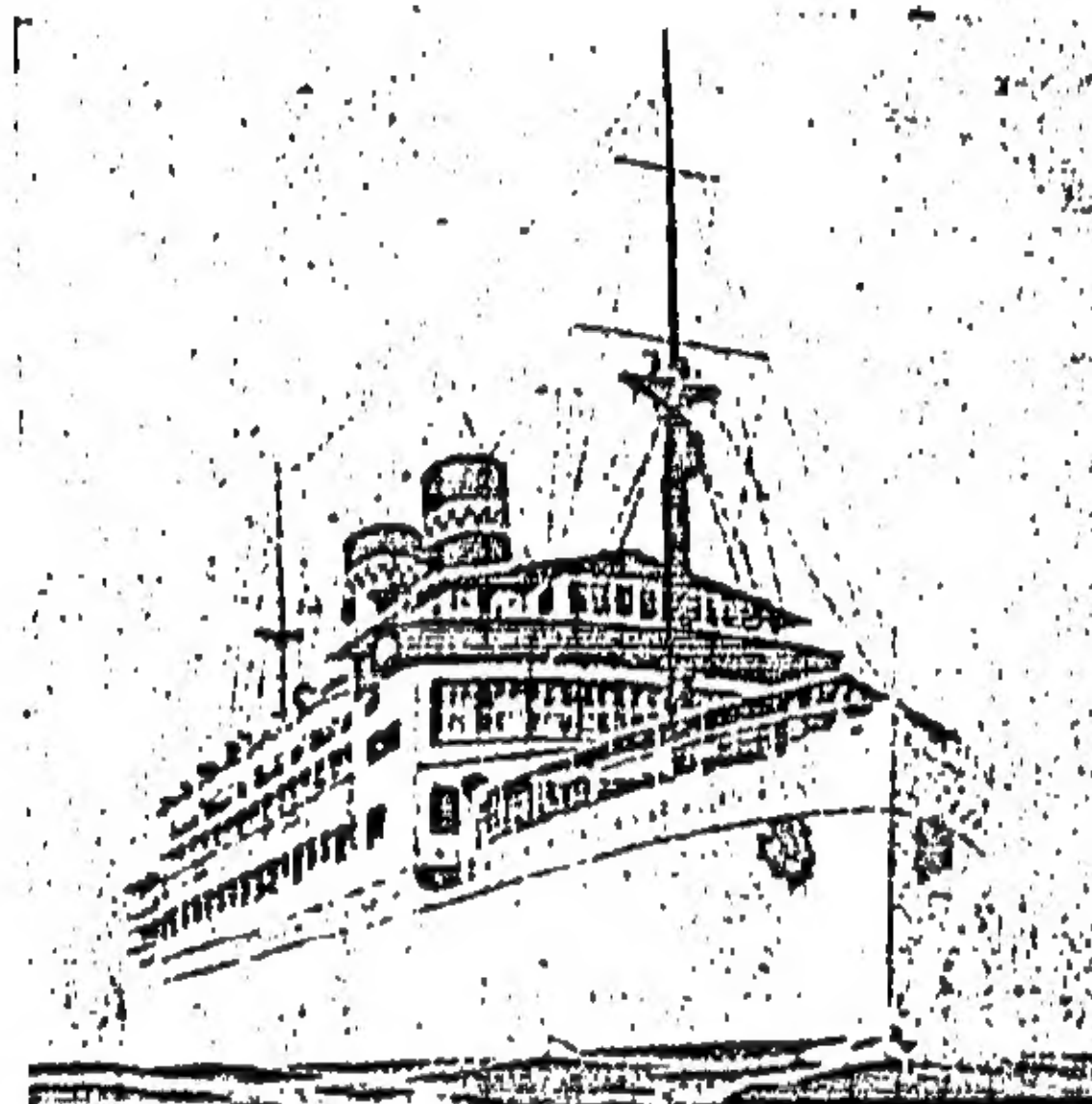
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Take His  
Life?

PROFESSOR BROAD,  
of Cambridge, has  
written in a recent  
number of the *Hibbert  
Journal* an article entitled  
"Should We Fight for Our  
Country in the Next War?"

At the end of the article  
he explodes a bombshell.  
Pacifists, he avows, ought in  
the next war to commit  
suicide.

I quote the relevant pas-  
sage:

"This, i.e., suicide, 'is the  
course which I should recom-  
mend to those of them who do  
not think that there is an  
overwhelming obligation not  
to take one's own life...'

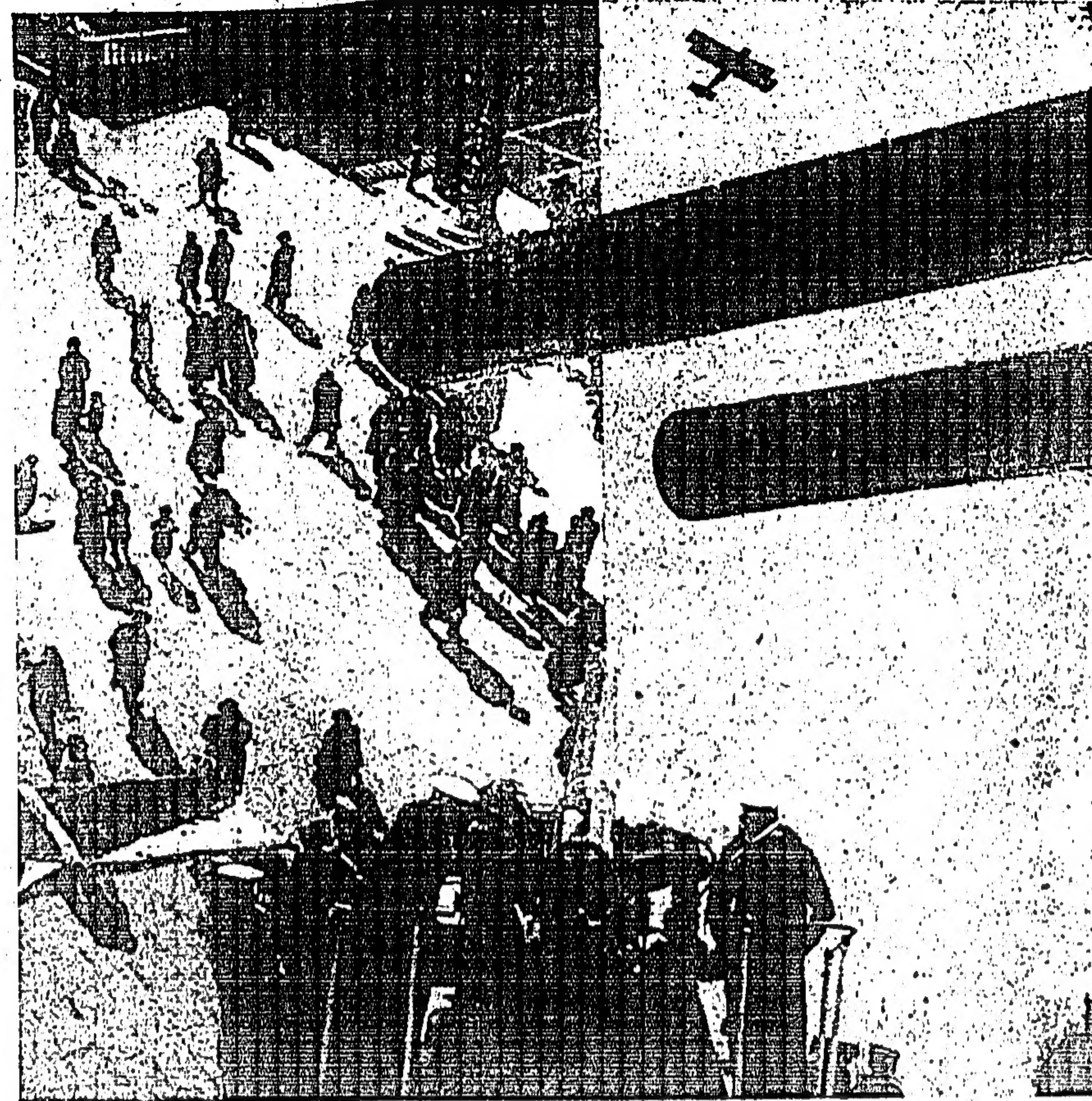
The next life, if there be one,  
must be bad indeed if it is  
worse than this life will be in  
time of war, and the gas in  
your oven, if not less deadly,  
is far more merciful than that  
which you will encounter on  
the battlefield or in the streets  
of your own town if it should  
be bombed."

The argument so far is an ap-  
pell to prudence; the gas in  
one's oven is *pleasanter* than the  
gas of the enemy. But an addi-  
tional reason is derived from  
ethics.

"He may suspect," says Pro-  
fessor Broad, "that it is not alto-  
gether fitting that his honour  
should be rooted in the fortunate

is talk of peace; well-authen-  
ticated stories of conversations  
between Dr. Oscar Trautmann,  
the able German diplomat, and  
Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, in  
which, it is supposed, the  
Japanese terms are discussed.  
Such reports will have the ten-  
dency to encourage South China  
in the belief that it will remain  
outside the sphere of concen-  
trated war operations such as  
the North has experienced. It  
is known that Marshal Chiang  
has rejected the six-point  
Japanese peace offer, but that  
does not mean there will not be  
compromise. The very fact  
that Dr. Trautmann is continu-  
ing his efforts as mediator  
proves that there is room for  
readjustment, and may indicate  
that there is a will to peace on  
both sides. It would not be  
unnatural, China has suffered  
immensely; but Japan has suf-  
fered too. Just how greatly we  
have no sure means of know-  
ing.

It is certain that the six-point  
plan, as published by the  
*Telegraph* recently, could not  
have been accepted by Marshal  
Chiang no matter how badly he  
wanted a truce. It would have  
cost him his reputation and the  
trust of the country which his  
leadership has inspired. It is  
safe to say he never even con-  
sidered surrender: for on those  
terms surrender it would have  
been indeed. What must be  
disclosed at the Chiang-Traut-  
mann conference is a knowledge  
of the best terms Japan can  
offer, and the worst terms China  
will accept. Somewhere be-  
tween them lies compromise—  
and peace which may be per-  
manent.



By Professor C. E. M. Joad

*THE distinguished  
pacifist, who  
inaugurated the  
Oxford "Won't  
Fight" motion, here  
attacks the view  
recently expressed  
by the Cambridge  
philosopher, Pro-  
fessor Broad, that  
pacifists should  
commit suicide in  
the event of war.*

dishonour of most of his con-  
temporaries." The conclusion seems to be  
totally wrong-headed, and the  
arguments by which it is sup-  
ported fallacious.

WHEN a war comes, a  
pacifist owes two  
duties—a duty to society and a  
duty to himself. His duty to  
society is, in the first place, to  
use whatever influence he  
possesses to bring the war to an  
end at the earliest possible mo-  
ment.

No good thing, he holds, can  
ever come of violence: there is,  
then, no benefit which his coun-  
try can possibly derive from  
prolonging the war. Yet pro-  
longed it will undoubtedly be.

For example, many good  
judges hold the view that the  
last war could have ended in  
1917 as a draw. Such a result  
would have been infinitely more  
conducive to the happiness of  
mankind than the dictated peace  
of Versailles, the object of  
which seems to have been to  
commit a crime which each of  
the victorious Allies had an  
equal interest in committing,  
and the result of which has been  
a legacy of hatred and unrest  
which has kept Europe on  
tenterhooks for 18 years, led to  
the resurgence of Nazi Germany,  
and brought us to the verge of  
another war.

The least evil thing that war  
can do is to produce a convic-  
tion in all the belligerents that  
war can do no good thing. Now  
this conviction is most likely to  
be born of a draw.

SECONDLY, the pacifist  
must seek to mitigate  
the ferocity of the terms of  
peace.

Just as he objects to war be-  
cause he does not believe that  
the best way to demonstrate the  
rightness of one's cause in a  
quarrel is to kill off as many of  
the opposite side as one can, so  
he objects to the peace terms  
which a so-called successful war  
enables the victor to dictate, be-  
cause he does not believe that  
the one's superior virtue is to  
hit a man when he is down.

Yet this is precisely what vic-  
tors have invariably done.

In the third place, it is the  
pacifist's duty to keep alight the  
torch of his own beliefs. He is  
by hypothesis a man of strong

convictions. He holds in oppo-  
sition to most of his fellow citi-  
zens that war between nations is  
always wrong, and should, at all  
costs, be avoided.

Very well, then, he must also  
hold that it is good that as many  
people as possible who hold this  
view should continue to exist.

They should continue to exist  
in order to preserve the tradition  
of sanity and reason amid the  
mass hysteria which war invari-  
ably produces.

To the man who keeps his  
head in wartime it cannot but  
seem that most of his fellow  
citizens have taken leave of  
their senses.

In the last war it was declared  
by respectable organs of opinion  
and believed by otherwise rea-  
sonable persons that the Ger-  
mans were fiends who tortured  
babies and made meals out of  
the corpses of their dead; noble  
lords, discovering that they  
were inadvertently dining off  
plates made in Germany, dashed  
them indignantly to the ground,  
while clergymen clamoured for  
the annihilation of enemy coun-  
tries, and announced that "all  
appeals to religious feeling in  
favour of peace will be suspected  
of German origin."

Is it unreasonable to demand  
that, amid such an orgy of bel-  
ligerent hysteria, such a fierce  
feast of unreason, somebody  
should keep a cool head and a  
respect for the truth.

Secondly, he must be at hand  
when the war is over, to make  
the most of the inevitable re-  
action.

It is something of an histori-  
cal accident—one of the most  
tragic in the history of mankind  
—that the end of the last war  
did not lay the foundation of a

new international order. For  
a time the floods of idealism ran  
high; men were sick of war and  
crying "Never again!" were in a  
mood to set up machinery to  
make the repetition impossible.  
The mood has evaporated, but  
it may recur. It is indeed  
doubtful whether civilisation  
will survive the next war, but, if  
it does, mankind cannot afford  
to miss the tide of the next  
peace. It is the business of the  
pacifist to be at hand to ensure  
that it is caught.

Finally, the pacifist has a duty  
to himself. He sees a world  
which to his thinking has tem-  
porarily gone mad. Is that  
any reason why he should follow  
its example? He sees his coun-  
trymen consumed by hate and  
fear, straining every nerve to  
deprive of their lives other men  
whom they have never seen and  
with whom they have no quarrel.

Is that any reason why he  
should deprive himself of his  
own? A man has a right to  
live, and the fact that his fellow-  
men are denying that right to  
one another is no reason why he  
should deny it to himself.

As to the argument that the  
pacifist's safety is purchased by  
what Professor Broad calls "the  
fortunate dishonour" of his  
countrymen, it leaves my withers  
completely unwrung. I neither  
ask nor expect anyone to fight  
for me. I only wish they  
wouldn't.

FOR it is the existence  
of armaments and of  
men's willingness to use them  
in his alleged defence which, in  
the pacifist's view, has placed  
the safety of all of us in  
jeopardy. If, wishing to die in  
my bed, I were given before  
birth my choice of countries into  
which to be born, I should choose  
a small undefended country like  
Norway or Denmark, where I  
should be comparatively secure  
just because I should not be  
"protected."

Believing that there is no  
safety in arms, pacifists have ad-  
vocated disarmament, if neces-  
sary by example, ever since the  
end of the last war. Should an-  
other war come, it will be be-  
cause of the nations' persistent  
disregard of their counsel.

It is a little hard that we  
should now be told that our  
safety will only be ensured by  
the willingness of others to fight  
for us, when in our view it is pre-  
cisely this willingness that en-  
dangers it.



# 24-Year-Old Elopes With Grandmother

## Aged 75

### SWEPT OFF HIS FEET BY HER CHARMS

New York. "Swept off his feet" by the mature charms of a seventy-five-year-old grandmother and mother of thirteen children, William Duvall, twenty-four, of Mountary, near Baltimore, has married her, says the *Daily Mirror*.

They eloped after a fortnight's courtship and have just returned to settle down on the small farm rented by the bride. When it was suggested to the bride that the marriage was hardly ideal, she answered:

"Shucks. I've got two grandchildren older than Bill, so don't tell me I don't understand kids of his age."

Adjusting her steel-rimmed spectacles, Mrs. Duvall added, "My first husband died seventeen years ago. But now Bill's brought all my happiness back."

She ran her gnarled fingers through Bill's hair. "He wants me to live with him in the big city, but I tell him we'll stay right here."

Said William:

"I've wooed and won her and I'm staying with her. 'Whatever the world may say.'"

Mrs. Muffett, the bride's daughter, said "William paid court to her for two weeks, then they married. I wish them every happiness."

## Half Of Britain Is Underfed

### PROFESSOR LELEAN'S VIEWS

"Half the population of the country is inadequately fed. An average wage of £2 10s is bedrock wage for a standard family."

This was stated by Professor P. S. Lelean when he addressed the third and last public lecture of a series in "Dietetics" in the Usher Institute of Public Health, Edinburgh, recently.

The lecture was held under the auspices of the Joint Committee of the National Council of Women, Edinburgh branch, and the Edinburgh Women's Citizens' Association. Professor Lelean took as his theme the General Medical Council's statement in 1917, that out of 2½ million men of military age, in every nine, three were fit, two were on an infirm plane of health, three were physical wrecks, and the remaining one a chronic invalid.

Scientific experiments during the War led to the knowledge of the needs of growing boy recruits, and many diagrams were shown by Professor Lelean relative to the energy needs of the average man as exerted at rest, routine work, and the necessity of balancing the diet according to the type of work, whether heavy, light, or otherwise.

### UNEMPLOYMENT RELIEF

The lecturer showed how temperance could be controlled, and outlined the crescendo of factors resulting in the frigid misery in the case of children underfed and badly shod.

The standard laid down by the League of Nations Committee on Nutrition, 1937, was studied, and this showed that the twelve to fifteen years-old young person required as much food as the father, and the nursing mother required twice as much in proteins as the father.

It was also indicated that the modern diet for a fourteen-years-old young person is as much as one would give the average adult. In terms of money this would be 5s. 8d. weekly, plus 2s. 8d. for supplementary food.

Professor Lelean said that no child can be fed on less than 3s. 6d. per week, thus half the cost of feeding an adult, and that the average wage of £2 10s was bedrock wage for a standard family, in the present unemployment scenes, the layout for healthy living was inadequate for the standard family of wife, father, and two children.

Half the population of the country was inadequately fed, and the food was deficient in proteins.

Mrs. R. K. Hannay proposed the vote of thanks.

## Dietrich Will Quit U.S.A.

### One More Picture

New York. Marlene Dietrich has decided to leave America. She will make one more picture in Hollywood—"French Without Tears"—then her long contract with Paramount expires. She issued this news from her hotel suite in New York on her return from holiday-making in Europe. Dietrich in "French Without Tears" has been cast for the first time in her career for the part of a woman whose charms prove less entrancing than those of the Other Woman.

## A HAPPY GROUP AT THE WATER POLICE STATION



## Bermuda Babies: Startling Plan to Reduce Births

By A Political Correspondent

An extraordinary suggestion that the Government of Bermuda may be considering a Bill to sterilise the parents of illegitimate children is contained in a question which Mr. David Adams (Lab., Consett) put to the Colonial Secretary in the House of Commons recently.

Mr. Adams's question appeared on the House of Commons order paper in the following terms:

To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"Whether his attention has been drawn to the report of the Select Committee on Unemployment in Bermuda, which has recommended as a remedy for the excessive population the compulsory sterilisation of certain categories of persons, including the fathers of one illegitimate child and the mothers of two illegitimate children."

"Whether any one of the proposals has been incorporated in the Bill presented by the Governor of Bermuda to the Legislative Council, and, if so, whether it is a satisfactory solution of the problem of unemployment in Bermuda."

The committee mentioned by Mr. Adams must be a Bermudian committee, for I have been unable to trace any such committee in this country.

But if it has actually made the sterilisation suggestion—Mr. Adams is relying for his information on an article in a British Honduras newspaper ("Belize Independent," June 30, 1937) and wants to have it confirmed or denied officially—the position is serious.

### TO REDUCE POPULATION

He showed me the article. It begins:

"The Governor of Bermuda has presented a Bill before the Legislative Council of that island outlining measures for compulsory sterilisation of the negro population on the model of Nazi Germany."

"A Select Committee appointed on February 5, 1935, to consider and report on the existing state of unemployment in Bermuda and to recommend what steps should be taken to alleviate such conditions have found one answer: Too many babies. Prevent them."

The article adds that the committee recommended voluntary sterilisation

for anybody, but compulsory sterilisation for the parents of illegitimate children.

The last Colonial Office Report on Bermuda (1936) stated that the illegitimacy rate was 20 per cent. (4.8 per 1,000 white and 25.9 coloured); the living birth rate amongst the civilian population was 24.2 per 1,000, being 17.2 amongst the white and 28.7 amongst the coloured population.

## U.S. PLANE WITH SIX CANNON

### STREAM OF SHELLS AT 300 M.P.H.

### BIGGEST FIGHTER YET BUILT

By Major C. C. Turner

The question of equipping aeroplanes with guns firing 1½ in. and 1½ in. shells is revived by the experiments in the United States with a new fighter driven by two powerful engines and armed with six guns. Two of the guns are of 37mm. calibre, firing 1½ in. shells, and two are of 50mm. firing 1½ in. shells.

The machine, the Airacuda, has two Allison engines of 1,050 h.p. mounted on either side of a central fuselage, and driving aircrews behind the wings. This is the most powerful "pusher" aeroplane ever built.

It is a five-seater fighter, built by the Bell Aircraft Corporation at Buffalo, and is not only the biggest aeroplane of the "pusher" class, but also the biggest aeroplane designed for offensive action against bomber formations.

A speed of 300 m.p.h. is claimed for it, and a "ceiling" of 30,000 ft. It is not so fast as the latest fighters now being put into production for the British Air Force, nor is its speed quite so great as the new medium bombers.

It has been designed as a counter to big and somewhat slower bombers, but, so far as European air forces are concerned, the present tendency is in favour of fast medium rather than big bombers. The advantage claimed for the aeroplane gun firing shells is the destructive effect of the shells and the great range at which they are effective.

This question has not been neglected in Great Britain, but the general opinion of experts is that owing to the great difficulty of accurate marksmanship in the air, which makes all except close-in fighting practically ineffective, there is little scope for a weapon which cannot make effective use of its distinctive qualities.

The design of the new Airacuda is, however, very interesting and in so far as it exploits the "pusher" principle with two engines, which affords excellent observation and field of fire, its slight and tests will be closely watched.

## Baboons' Hot Seat

London.

A WOMAN has written to Mr. Julian Huxley, the Secretary of the London Zoo, complaining that during the past summer the sunshine made the rocks on "Monkey Hill" so hot that many baboons were badly scorched.

She has offered, in time for next summer, to knit protective panties for the baboons.

## With The Hounds In Gibraltar

### Mr. Eden Explains What Governor Said

In the House of Commons recently, Mr. Arthur Henderson (Soc., Kingswinford) asked the Foreign Secretary whether he was in a position to make any statement on the Royal College Hunt, and whether his attention had been called to the statement of the Governor that the future of Gibraltar might be influenced by friendly relations which might be established with the Franco authorities through foxhunting?

Mr. Eden said he was informed that permission to hunt over part of the Spanish territory, where the Royal Calpe Hunt had been wont to hunt for a century, had been obtained from the Insurgent military authorities at Algeiras. The Government were not consulted as this was regarded as a purely local affair.

The words used by the Governor of Gibraltar were—

"His Excellency hopes that all who hunt will at all times remember that this is another historical example of sport and sportsmanship rising above bitterness and strife, and that every consideration will be shown to the local population of Spain. It may well be that the relations established this season with our Spanish neighbours will play a very important part not only in the future of the hunt, but the future of Gibraltar."

### BRITONS IN SPAIN

The Government went on Mr. Eden, saw no reason to disagree with that sentiment. It was clearly undesirable to confine the resident population of Spain within the limits of the colony, and over 1,000 British subjects lived on the Spanish side of the frontier and entered Gibraltar daily.

Residents of Gibraltar were allowed to visit neighbouring Spanish territory at the discretion of the Governor, and of the local Insurgent authorities, while other British subjects, subject to the normal strict frontier control.

Mr. Henderson asked if the Foreign Secretary considered the action of the Governor amounted to recognition of General Franco.

Mr. Eden—What the Governor referred to was obviously not the security of Gibraltar, but the amenity of those who lived on the rock.

Col. Wedgwood (Ind., Newcastle-under-Lyme) asked Mr. Eden if he knew that people who worked at the dockyard had to go across the frontier and were fined each time?

Mr. Eden said he was certainly not aware of anything of the kind.

Mr. Mander (Soc., Wolverhampton)—Will the Lord President of the Council be hunting with this pack during the winter?

There was no reply.

Members of the Tsai Shu Tsai Police Station and their families and friends. A yuletide photograph by Mel Cheung.

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1.30 Reuter & Rugby Press; Local Weather Report and Announcements.

1.40 Eric Coates and the Light Symphony Orchestra.

Springtime Suite (Eric Coates); "Fresh Morning" (Pastorale); "Noon Song" (Romance); "Dance In The Twilight" (Valse).

1.52 Variety.

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7.0 Dance Music.

6.0 One-Step—Have You Anything On To-night, Matilda Darling?

Fox-Trots—With My Little Horse & Wagon.... Brum Martin & His Band; I Saw A Ship A-Sailing; Waltz—The Greatest Mistake Of My Life.... Henry Jacques with His

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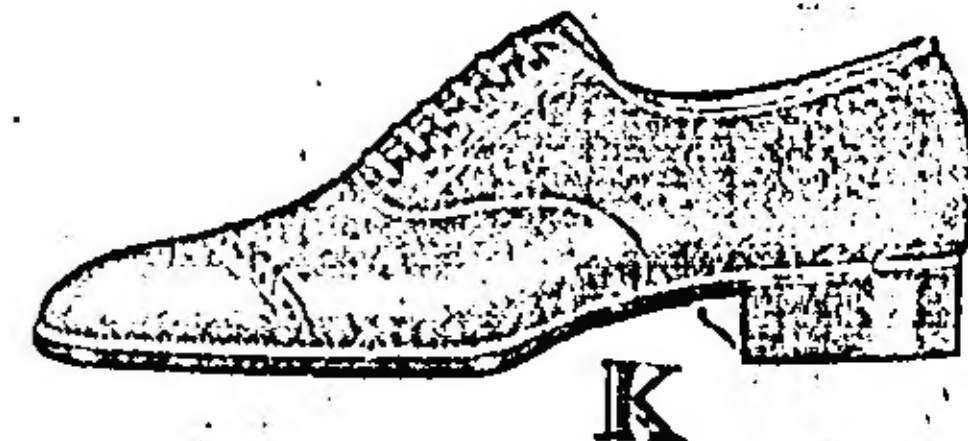
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# CHINESE MAY RECEIVE ENGLISH FOOTBALL "CAP"

## SPECTACULAR CAREER OF FRANKIE SOO

### CRITICS HAIL HIM AS BRITAIN'S FINEST LEFT HALF-BACK

The name of Frank Soo means practically nothing to the majority of footballers and followers of the game in Hongkong and the Far East generally. But in England, the same name suggests to thousands of football "fans" in England that country's probable new left half back in international matches. It is more than likely that Frank Soo, Buxton-born Chinese, who now figures in the Stoke City league team, will gain international honours before the current season is over.

Most of the authorities are agreed that Soo is one of the greatest football artists in the game to-day, and certainly the finest Oriental exponent of the game ever known. His natural talent which has been carefully and scientifically developed under the tutelage of the Stoke City management, and he is playing so consistently well this season, that a match passes without the young Chinese receiving cordial press notices.

His career is bound to be of interest to Colony footballers, and is succinctly revealed in the following description which appeared recently in an English football paper.

"England's greatest left half-back at the moment. That is the opinion of the experts regarding Frank Soo, the driving power behind Stoke City's youthful scoring machine. Soo has not only the prizes his brilliant play has merited, but gradually it is being forced on the F.A. selectors that here is a player without superior in his position—yes, Coppinger and Bray included."

I saw Soo play against Blackpool recently and it was one of the finest exhibitions of wing half play I have ever seen. It was small wonder the crowd rose to him. He got more cheers than all the other 21 players put together.

Frank is the consummate footballer. He has been for years—I remember his brilliant displays as a schoolboy. Then it was predicted he would play for his country.

#### HONOURS COMING

That distinction has yet to come, but I do not think it will be long before he is duly honoured in representative football. It may not come this season because England seem to have found a settled team, but the day will come.

Soo is the only footballer of Chinese descent in the country, and is one of the finest bargains Stoke City have ever made.

He was born in Buxton and then went to Liverpool, where he gained honours as a schoolboy player. It was strange that neither of the Merseyside Football League clubs picked him up when he left school and took up a position as a clerk. Soo signed on for Prescott Cables. At that time he was playing at

inside-right and a fine forward he was, too.

His name was repeatedly cropping up and yet this did not induce the local sides to step in. Stoke did and backed a real winner.

Soo began with the City as an inside-forward when he moved to the Victoria-grounds for a mere "song" in 1932, but his delicacy in construction induced Mr. Tommy Mather, then manager of Stoke, to make him into a left half-back. It was a master stroke.

#### COMPLETE MASTER

He became the prime construction of the team. True, he suffered his patchy period, during which he lost his place to Sellers, but it was a case of nothing being able to keep a good man down, and Soo has become almost as popular with the Stoke people as Stanley Matthews.

There is no better purveyor of the ball in football. He is masterly in his manipulation and foresight in spotting the right place to slip the ball to.

He is the complete master of positional art, and a strong tackler. There are points in defence on which he could be faulted, but Soo is one of those rare footballers who concentrate so accurately on attack that they compensate for defensive shortcomings.

The City forwards thrive on his subtle promptings and the England attackers would appreciate his worth in this respect, too.

#### NEWSPAPER TRIBUTE

Recently too, the Daily Herald in reporting the Stoke City v. Charlton match, in which Stoke won by 2-0, said:

"Best man on the field was Soo, whose left half-back play was glorious and had international stamped on every move."

"If the selectors forget his Chinese name—he is Liverpool born—Soo will be capped this season. A great footballer, he is an asset to any team."

## R. Abbit's Cricket Notes On Wednesday

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, our cricket commentator, R. Abbit, has found it impossible to prepare his weekly notes on local games, which usually appear in the Tuesday issues of the Telegraph, in time for publication to-day.

They will appear in all editions of the Telegraph to-morrow (Wednesday).



12,000 SEE "MONTAGU'S" DEBUT—John Montagu, Hollywood pet, made his debut to the public as golf's mystery man and 12,000 swarmed Fresh Meadow course at Flushing, N. Y., hampering the play and forcing a halt at nine holes. Above is a scene there. Mrs. Sylvia Annenberg (1) paired with Montague (2). Babe Ruth (3) and Mildred (Babe) Didrikson (4) were 2 up when play stopped.

## PUTTING NEW LIFE INTO COUNTY CRICKET

### DRASTIC PROPOSALS MADE BY THE M.C.C. COMMISSION

DRASTIC recommendations, including the reduction of the number of first-class counties from 17 to 15, starting and ending the season a fortnight later, and the establishment of a County Cricket Fund, are contained in the report of the Commission appointed by the M.C.C. to investigate the problems confronting the first-class county clubs.

The report of the Commission, which was appointed last March and consisted of Messrs. W. Findlay, R. C. N. Palairer and R. H. Mallett with Mr. H. D. Bessemer to assist in an advisory capacity on financial questions, is contained in a document of over 8,000 words.

The recommendations have not yet been discussed by the M.C.C., by the first-class counties, or by the Advisory County Cricket Committee, and the extent to which they will be applied must depend on the views of these authorities.

One of the principal recommendations is the establishment of a County Cricket Fund "to give help to neglected first-class counties." The fund is to be inaugurated by the contribution by the M.C.C. of the surplus receipts in respect of the 1936-37 tour in Australia.

Thereafter the Commission recommends that 10 per cent. of the profits from both Test and Trial matches in England, and any further surplus receipts from M.C.C. tours overseas, should be added to the fund, the capital of which shall remain intact until £20,000 has been reached.

The proposal for the distribution of profits from Test matches in England provides for an allocation of 10 per cent. to the fund, which it is suggested should be administered by the M.C.C. Committee or by trustees nominated by them.

#### REDUCTION OF COUNTIES

One of the most startling recommendations is that the number of competitors in the County Championship should be reduced from 17 to 15. The reduction can be brought about by two counties dropping out or by amalgamations, and a scheme has been prepared by the Commission.

Advantages of this change would be, approximately, 20 fewer inter-county matches, allowing extra representative matches to be played, which would enable the best players to play together as a preparation for Tests and would raise the standard of England cricket.

The Commission recommends, as an experiment, that all counties, especially those able to play matches at the holiday resorts, shall consider starting their programmes not earlier than the second week in May, finishing about the second week in September.

#### NEW POINTS SCHEME

A totally different scheme for scoring points in the championship is put

forward to provide conditions more equal for batsmen and bowlers without being dangerous.

The views of the Commission concerning the hours of play are expressed thus:

"The annoyance caused to spectators by unnecessary delays and over-long intervals would be remedied by uniform hours of play: 11.30 to 4.30 on the first and second days, and 11 to 6 on the third day.

"These must be strictly adhered to, as well as the restriction of the luncheon and tea intervals to 40 minutes and 15 minutes respectively."

It is also insisted that in all cases the outgoing and incoming batsmen pass each other in front of the pavilion.

A significant statement in the report relates to English players and Overseas tours, and it is recommended that clubs, when making agreements with their professionals, shall insert a clause to the effect that no professional shall accept an invitation to tour Overseas unless the consent of the M.C.C. be obtained after consulting his Committee.

#### ENTERTAINMENT TAX

Entertainment Tax has naturally come under the review of the Commission, and one of their recommendations is that the County Cricket Association should consider the advisability of adding Entertainment Tax to the charges for admission at the gate and stands.

It is emphasised that for the seasons 1934-35 the total amount of Entertainment Tax (excluding tax on subscriptions) borne by the counties was approximately £47,500, giving an annual average of £15,833, which considerably exceeds the "Annual Aggregate Deficit" of £10,500 which is incurred in connection with County cricket.

Their investigation into finances reveals the alarming fact that in the staging of inter-county cricket under present conditions the counties are, in the aggregate, paying out £27,000 a year more than they receive.

#### FOUR-YEAR CYCLE

Towards this deficit the counties are over a four-year cycle, receiving £16,500 a year as a direct result of the visits of Overseas teams, and of this figure £11,000 a year comes from the Australian visit.

Only Kent, Middlesex and Yorkshire are in a position to raise any substantial sums in an emergency without having recourse to appeals or borrowing.

A rearrangement of the basis of distribution of certain receipts or pooling arrangements would not, on the basis of the present revenue, alleviate the general position, but would, in certain circumstances press on some portion of the deficit now falling on the weaker counties to those in a stronger financial position and perhaps better able to bear it.

#### Rosslyn Park's Rugby Win

London, Jan. 3.  
In the only rugby union match of importance to-day, Rosslyn Park, entertaining Fettesian Lorettonians won a hard-played match by 22 points to 19.—Reuter.

## SCOTTISH FOOTBALL UPSETS

### Rangers Lose At Home

#### HOLIDAY MATCHES

London, Jan. 3.  
There were some brilliant achievements by visiting teams in Scottish League football to-day. Rangers were given the surprise of their lives when, as hosts to Partick Thistle, they lost 3-1. On the other hand Celtic, the leaders, went to Queen's Park and won handsomely by 3-0.

St. Johnstone scored an away victory at the expense of Queen's Park and St. Mirren were successful against Hamilton on the latter's ground.

Below will be found the day's results as cable by Reuter.

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE

##### FIRST DIVISION

Aberdeen	4	Ayr	0
Aberdeen	3	Hibernian	1
Clyde	3	Third Lanark	3
Hamilton	0	St. Mirren	1
Hearts	2	Dundee	1
Kilmarnock	2	Falkirk	2
Morton	4	Motherwell	1
Queen's Park	0	Celtic	3
Queen's Park	2	St. Johnstone	3
Rangers	1	Partick	3

##### SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	2	Railt R.	3
Brechin	3	King's Park	4
Cowdenbeath	4	Dumbarton	1
Dundee	3	Leith	4
East Fife	6	Montrose	2
E. Stirling	4	Dunfermline	2
Forfar	2	Athol	0
St. Bernards	4	Edinburgh	0
Stenhousemuir	5	Alloa	1

##### ENGLISH LEAGUE

##### THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	4	Wrexham	0
Port Vale	0	Rotherham	0

—Reuter.

## LOCAL CRICKET TEAMS CHOSEN

Army v. K.C.C., first division league, at Sookunpo.  
Army—Capt. J. R. Mackintosh, Walker, Major G. B. Rawlston, Major G. P. Murray, Lt. R. D. MacLagan, Bismann, Cheney, Lt. C. F. Godby, Lt. R. A. Barron, Lt. L. C. Beadnell, Lt. M. P. Weedon, Lt. C. M. M. Man, Pte. Hatfield.  
Club v. Navy, second division league, Kings Park.  
Club—E. J. R. Mitchell (Captain), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, D. S. Hine, V. C. Bond, J. H. Fox, R. S. W. Patterson, D. S. Robb, W. Stoker, M. R. Swain, F. A. Dunnett (12), Scorer, R. H. Davies.

## BUDGE-MAKO UNION MAY BREAK UP

### PRICITION IN MATCH

London.  
There is talk in American tennis circles of the famous Budge-Mako doubles partnership being broken up. After their defeat by the British pair, Hughes and Hare, recently, Mako is said to have retorted sharply to a friendly observation by Budge.

Mako is stated to have said that he did not want Budge to tell him how to play doubles—a remark that did not please Budge.

This, together with the report that the American Association would like to see a Budge-Sabin combination, has given rise to the suggestions of a break-up of a combination that won Wimbledon championship and the doubles matches in the Davis Cup competition.

## PEERY, VINES WILL COACH IN U.S.

### England Behind At Helping Young Tennis Players

London.  
Fred Perry, Britain's No. 1 lawn tennis player as an amateur, is to embark upon an intensive campaign of coaching and encouraging young players.

But Great Britain, Perry's native land, is not to benefit from his efforts. He is to coach boys and girls of the United States, where he now lives and plays as a professional.

In a letter to his father, Mr. S. F. Perry, of Ealing, he states that he and Ellsworth Vines, his rival and partner in many exhibition matches, will begin a tour of eight university towns and schools on January 11, starting at Los Angeles.

Perry and Vines will play a match at each centre, and afterwards students and school children will be able to ask the advice of the professionals, and will be given demonstrations. At each place, too, there will be a local junior tournament, with a year's membership of a leading club as the principal prize.

#### VON CRAMM'S CAREER

##### GERMAN ACE PREPARES TO ENTER DIPLOMATIC CORPS

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, Germany's No. 1 player, intends to enter the Diplomatic Corps, according to advices received at Berlin from Tokyo, where von Cramm and other German players were on tour. Meanwhile he is preparing for diplomacy.

In an interview with Japanese newspapermen, von Cramm, who is 28, is reported to have said that he will give up tennis in five years' time.

"Participation in international sport is an excellent preparation for the Diplomatic Service," he said.

For the next few years Baron von Cramm intends to do his best to realise his dearest wish before giving up the game, namely, to help win the Davis Cup for Germany.

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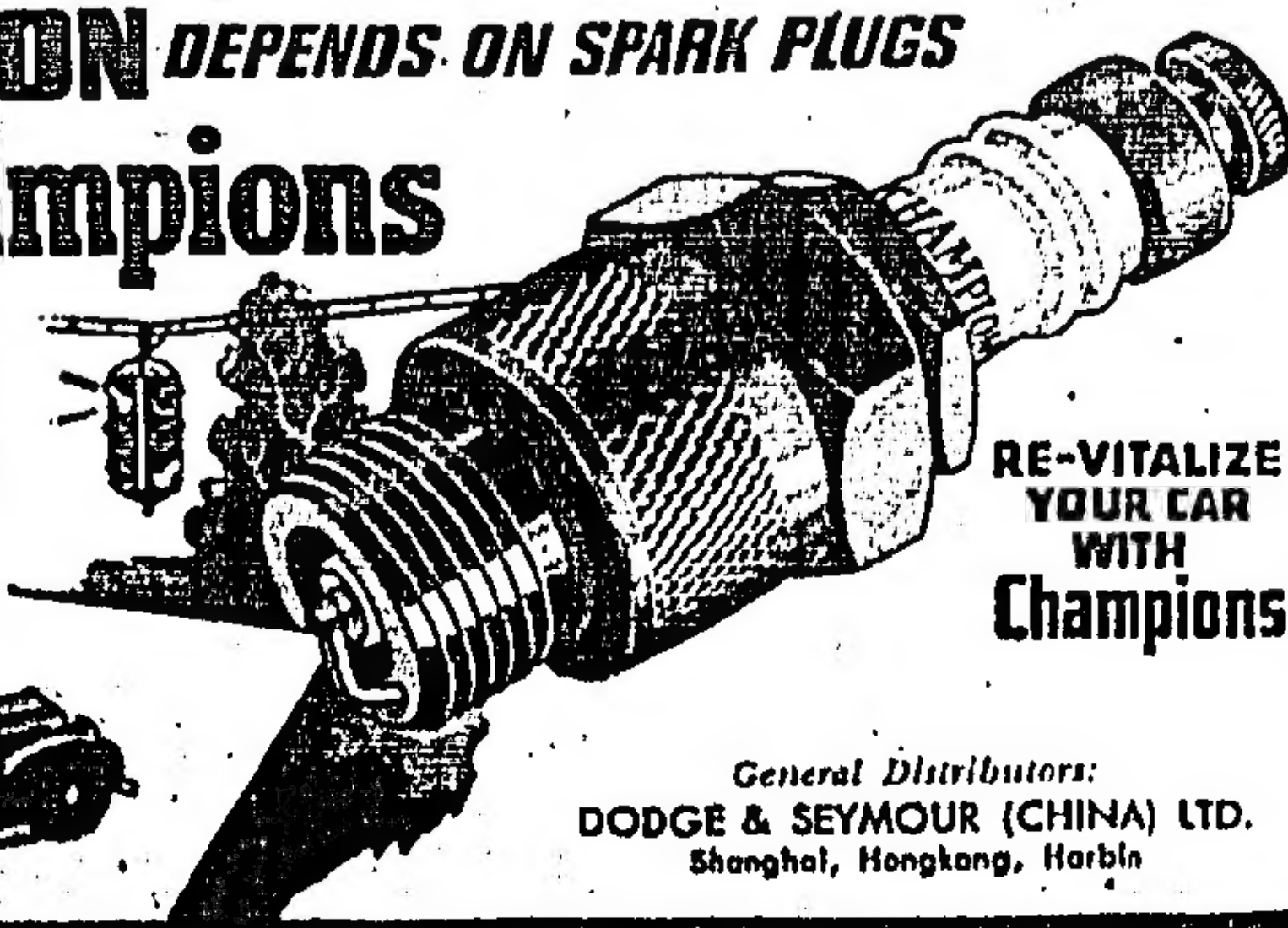
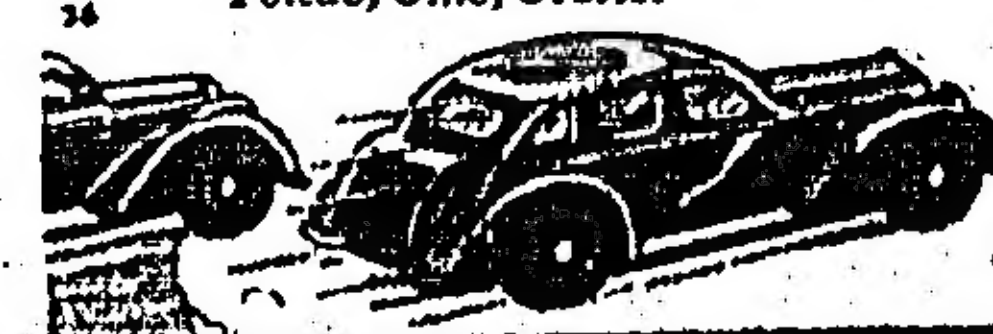
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## NO SOCCER TEAM TO MANILA

Association's Decision At Council Meeting

### HEADQUARTERS MOVE

A presentation to Capt. G. W. P. Kimm, removal of quarters to Holland House and decision not to send a team to Manila were the chief matters dealt with at the meeting of the Hongkong Football Council yesterday.

Making the presentation to Capt. Kimm of two ivory figures, the Chairman (Mr. Pryde) said Capt. Kimm had helped the Council in many ways and for three months had been secretary.

Referring to the visit this month of the Islington Corinthians, Capt. Kimm said the inclusion of Hongkong in the itinerary was undoubtedly due to the high standard of football by the Chinese Olympic team.

Owing to the counter-attraction by the War Relief Fund Association on January 9, the Council decided to put forward the Lal Wab Cup match between the Chinese and the Corinthians to January 10, and the Army and Navy match to January 11 on the Kowloon Football Club ground.

The War Relief Fund Association has arranged to stage a match between veteran football players of Canton and Hongkong and, as a curtain raiser, a game in which girls will take part.

### FORGED TICKETS

Mr. C. D. Carter, secretary, pointed out that he attempted to arrest a man for using a forged ticket at the British Isles v. Hongkong match on Sunday. Mr. J. Skinner (Hongkong Football Club) and the man said he bought it from another man pointed out the alleged culprit. An Indian constable arrested him but let free the man who entered the ground. As a result, the evidence necessary could not be obtained and the charge had to be dropped.

The Council decided to remove its quarters to Holland House because of lower rent. The next meeting will be held at the new quarters.

In view of the bad financial position of the Association and the visit of the Islington Corinthians, it was decided not to send a team to Manila this year.

## ENGLAND LOSES THE TEST

### INDIA'S CRICKET ACHIEVEMENT

Calcutta, Jan. 3. In the unofficial cricket test, which ended today, All India and Lord Tennyson's XI scored the same number of runs in their second innings, so All India won by the 93 lead they established in the first innings.

Hardstaff contributed 49 towards the visiting team's total of 102. Amar Singh took 4 for 76 and Man-kud 4 for 74.

Lord Tennyson's XI needed 244 to win with eight wickets to fall.

Yesterday when the match was resumed, the wicket had changed and rendered some assistance to the bowlers. As a result 14 wickets fell during the day's play for 272 runs.

When the game was resumed, All India was nicely placed, having scored 350 to which the Tourists had replied with 219 for eight. The Englishmen took their last two wickets for an additional 38 runs, the innings closing with All India leading by 93.

During a second time, the Indians fared badly against Langridge (3 for 41) and Wellard (4 for 67) and were dismissed for 192, leaving Lord Tennyson's team to score 286 to win. When stumps were drawn, the Englishmen had lost two wickets for 42 runs.—*Reuter*.

### SERVICES VICTORY

#### Women's Race Held By Yacht Club

A women's race held yesterday by the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club resulted in a win for the United Services team over the Civilian 4.6 miles to 30. The distance was 0.3 miles.

United Services	
Results:	
Artemis, Miss P. M. Kim	1st
Red, Mrs. Hodgkinson	2nd
Painted Lady, Mrs. Richardson	3rd
Redhawk, Mrs. D'Arcy Evans	4th
True Blue, Mrs. Patallo	5th
La Linda, Mrs. Edwards	6th
Total points	40
Civilian Team	
Carpenter, Mrs. McClatchie	1st
Nereid II, Miss M. Whitman	2nd
Jon, Miss	3rd
Cliff, Mrs. Adams	4th
Kittiwake, Miss H. Crawshaw-Wilson	5th
Jon, Mrs. Stanton	6th
Total points	30
Disqualified	

## SPORTS IN SOVIET RUSSIA MASSIVE IN SCOPE

### Millions Of Organized Sportsmen And Sportswomen: Slogan: "Ready For Labour And Defence"

Moscow. The sport movement in the Soviet Union is increasingly acquiring the scope of a mass movement. According to the latest incomplete data there are at present in the U.S.S.R. 9,000,000 organized sportsmen; among them 2,100,000 are women. This figure does not give a complete idea of the vast scale of the development of sport among the Soviet youth because a considerable part of the latter, not being members of sports organizations, engage in physical culture in educational institutions, or in exercises directed by radio, or else acquire training in tourist excursions, etc. Approximate calculations show that in 1937 over 20,000,000 school-children, and university students have received physical training while about 10,000,000 more people engaged in physical culture exercise in sanatoriums, rest-homes, parks of culture and rest, and by radio.

The principal form of organizations of sportsmen in the U.S.S.R. are voluntary sport societies, of which there are already 83 in the Soviet Union. Besides these, sports organizations exist in the Red Army. The entire organization of sport in the country is in charge of a special State organ—the All-Union Committee for Physical Culture and Sports under the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R.

### MASS NATURE

The characteristic feature of Soviet sport is its mass nature. This is best illustrated by the following figures. There are now in the country 649 stadiums, 7,208 sports grounds, 342 water stations and 2,674 skating-ponds. Scores of thousands of sports circles function in workers' and collective farm clubs. In collective farm alone, there are over 25,000 such circles.

The mass nature of the sport movement in the U.S.S.R. is also shown by other facts. The contest for football championship in 1937 attracted 413 teams. The football matches with the Spanish team were attended by over half-a-million spectators. Scores of thousands of sportsmen take part in the summer and autumn cross-country running races, organized in the U.S.S.R. every year. The year, this traditional race counted over 300,000 runners—Red Army men, men and women workers, schoolboys and girls—throughout the Soviet Union.

Winter sports are particularly popular in the U.S.S.R. The mass ski runs of the collective farmers of the Gorky region from the remote districts to the regional center, provides an example of this. Over 1,000 delegates to the region congress of collective farm shock brigadiers participated in this run. Particularly indicative were the ski-drives for the distances exceeding 5,000 and even 8,000 kilometres, as for instance the one effected by a team of frontier guards from Khabarovsk (Far East) to Moscow and that by the young Buryat-Mongolian women from Ulan-Uda to Moscow.

### SPORT SLOGAN

Physical training of the youth, based on scientific principles and entrusted to experienced teachers who are also well versed in medicine is not divorced from general education, raising their physical training, sportsmen work simultaneously for their general and political education. The slogan of the Soviet sport movement is to prepare people for creative labour and for the defence of the country.

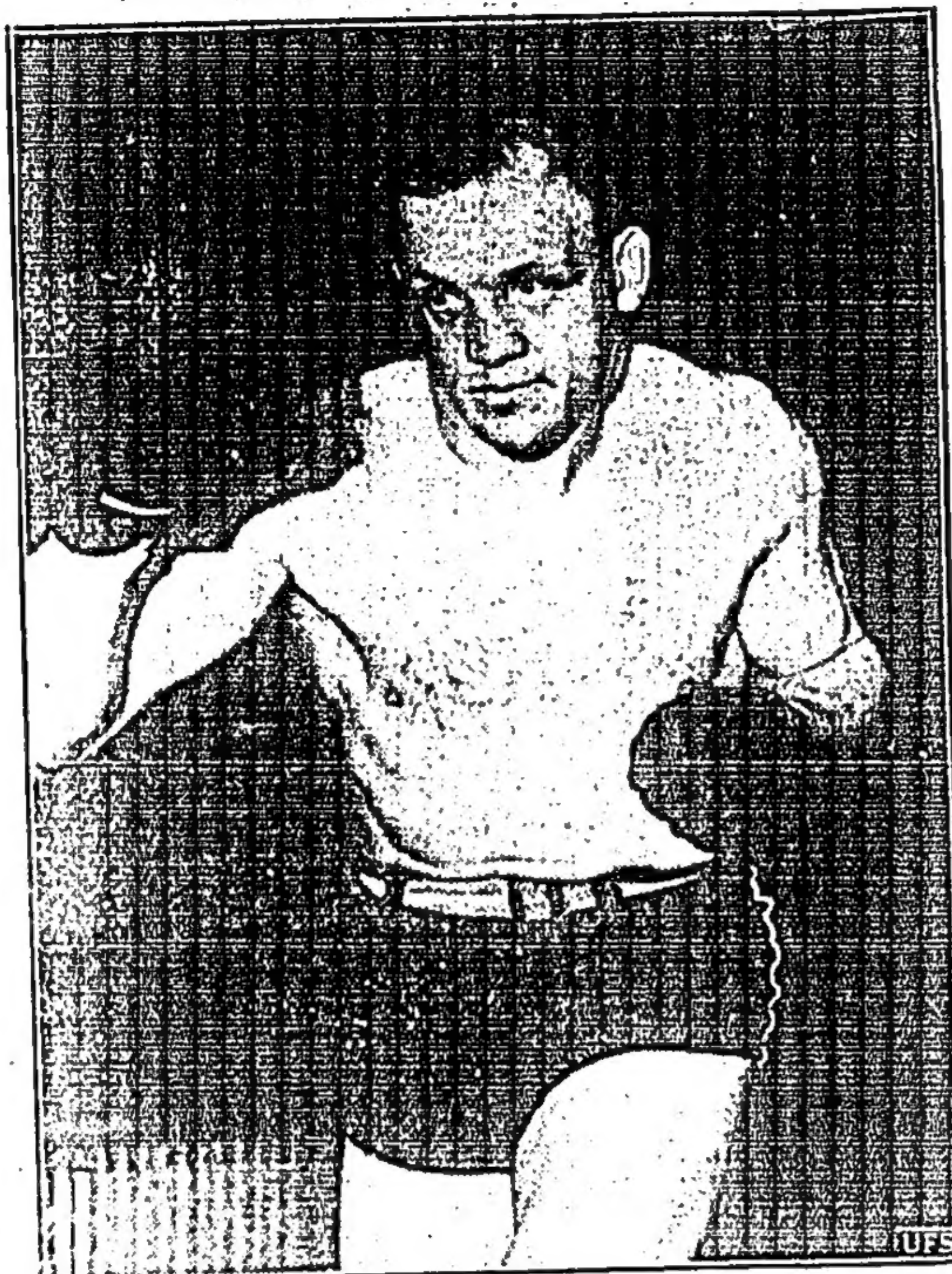
"Ready for Labour and Defence" is the slogan of a series of tests which Soviet sportsmen are expected to pass. People who pass these tests receive a special badge. There are now in the U.S.S.R. 4,361,000 young men and women, who wear such badges.

Due to the exceptional attention shown by the State to physical culture and the tremendous growth of State appropriations for physical training (which this year reached 90,700,000 roubles), the class of Soviet light athletes, heavy athletes, football players, masters of automobile, motor-cycle and bicycle sport is rising from year to year. In 1936 alone 30 All-Union records were established in light athletics contests.

### REMARKABLY GOOD TIME

Nearly 600,000 sportsmen participated in light athletics contests this past summer, in which 30 new All-Union records were established. The well-known Soviet runner Serafim Znamensky who is one of the 47 sportsmen, who were lately awarded orders by the Soviet Government, established a remarkable record in a 10,000-metre run in Kiev, having covered this distance in 31 minutes 27.5 seconds.

At the meet of the masters of light athletics, the Ukrainian sports-woman Zoya Shitkaya showed an exceptional achievement in discus throwing. Her result in the total of both hands—74 metres 23 cm.—considerably exceeds the world record—67 metres 82 cm., held by the Polish sportswoman Zelik. At the same meet the young sportswoman Nina Dumbadze of Odessa, aged 18, threw the discus for 44 metres 51 cm. This



This is Harry Thomas, new American heavyweight, who has recently leapt to the forefront in the world of pugilism. Thomas, whose blood is a mixture of French, Irish, Welsh and Scotch, has won 44 out of 56 contests with kayoes.

### CANADIAN GIRLS ON WAY TO SYDNEY

#### Considered Likely To Win At Empire Games

Toronto, Ontario. Canada will be represented by a team of seven girls in the British Empire games in Australia next year.

Those in a position to judge, told *Reuter's* correspondent that they consider that the best chances of the senior dominion will be in the relay race, the medley relay and the javelin throwing event.

Perhaps the most outstanding performer from this country will be Miss Robina Higgins of Winnipeg, Manitoba, who has hurled a javelin a distance of 127 feet and it is felt that this performance will be hard to beat.

Heading the sprinters will be Miss Aileen Meagher of Halifax, Nova Scotia, who has run the hundred yards in eleven seconds. Another useful performer for short distances will be Miss Jeanette Dolson of Toronto, Ontario.

The presence of several consistently good runners in the team is calculated to give Canada a good chance in the relay events and it is not forgotten that in the Empire games in London in 1934 this dominion won the medley relay.

Besides sprinters and a javelin thrower, Canada will be represented by a hurdler and competitors for the broad and high jump.

is an achievement of international class.

The sportsman Alexey Maximov of Stalingrad showed a result of European class in a 30-metre run, his time being 1 minute 55.2 seconds. Every year in the traditional physical culture parade of many thousands of sportsmen held in Moscow, in the first ranks are the future masters and instructors of sport—students of the five Soviet institutes of physical culture—the Central, Leningrad, Ukrainian, Byelorussian and Georgian, several hundred instructors of physical culture graduate yearly from these institutes plus the network of sports schools.

Soviet sportsmen have repeatedly participated in international sports contests. Soviet football players frequently take part in matches with Turkish footballers. U.S.S.R. football teams participated in matches with Norwegian, Spanish, Belgian and French teams. Soviet sportsmen—light athletes, football players, weight-lifters, scored great success in the international workers' Olympiade, in Antwerp and in the sport festival in honour of the International exhibition in Paris. In contests with foreign rifle clubs Soviet marksmen showed brilliant results. In particular, in the contests with the American clubs not only adult marksmen, but also Soviet school-boys were the winners. The Soviet Union has first-class skaters and skiers who have also participated in a number of international meets.—*Reuter*.

## THIRD BACK PLAY IN FOOTBALL

### POPULARISED BY ARSENAL

#### League President's Opinion

London. The "third back" or "stopper" play of centre-half in soccer, popularised by Arsenal and adopted widely in recent years evokes constant criticism, and most followers of the game would like to see a different style of play.

Of course, the present tactics are the outcome of the off-side rule and critics of present-day centre-half play are mostly agreed that reform should come through a change of this law, which has now been in existence twelve years. Many of those who supported the change are surprised to see the unexpected outcome of it.

Mr. C. E. Sutcliffe, the president of the Football League, has made a few remarks on the subject. "I remember telling Herbert Chapman," he said, "that he was building a monument which would rise higher than the stands at Highbury and that it would be known as 'Arsenal's Folly'."

"It may not be true that Mr. Chapman created the 'stopper,' the 'third back,' or whatever the modern centre-half may be called. My name for the Arsenal player in the position was 'Goalkeeper No. 2,' even though he was not permitted to use his hands.

#### "STOPPER" MADE COMPLETE

"One of Mr. Chapman's strongest characteristics was his readiness to borrow an idea and develop it with remarkable thoroughness, and at least it may be said that he made the 'stopper' more complete than had previously been conceived to be necessary.

"I suppose it was inevitable that the success of the Arsenal should lead other clubs to try to copy their defensive system, and the features which are now pointed to as unfortunate can be traced to this."

"I am waiting for a centre-forward to appear who will not only beat him but prove that his style is wholly mistaken. Patience may be required, but I am sure that this will occur and that it will not need any alteration of rule.

"The centre-forward may not be able to perform the task single-handed. He may require the help of his colleagues, specially, I think, the inside-forwards. The tactics of the game are closely studied to-day, and if any club will plan how the centre-half can be beaten and driven from his entrenchments they will do a great service.

#### MATCH-WINNING EXPEDIENTS

"Fundamentally there is nothing wrong with the game when it is played in the way that has been established to be best. The trouble is the introduction of match-winning expedients largely to suit the make-up of the different teams.

"It is doubtful, too, whether any change which we brought about by alteration of rule would be lasting. I do not think it would be possible to go back to the old off-side rule. Those who take this view in proclaiming the need for the restoration of triangular wing movements and other features which marked the more precise era of 20 years ago, have a short memory.

"They forget the protests of the public against the frequent stoppages caused by deliberately planned off-side manoeuvres and the game has moved so fast in the meantime that the voice on the terraces would today be raised even more strongly in condemnation of them."

Although its president hopes for the end of the reign of the "stopper," the Football League pins its faith on that type of player. Alf Young, the Huddersfield player, an acknowledged stopper, was chosen at centre-half against the Scottish League at Glasgow, though when he was found unwell, he was replaced by Young for the Irish game at Blackpool.

Obviously the League are waiting for the problem to solve itself, probably by the advent of the man Mr. Sutcliffe looks for, who will think out a scheme to beat the policeman 'centre-half. Under the present off-side law, however, such a possibility is remote. Perhaps some modification in the law will be made.

Robert Crawford, the Southampton left-half, who has played 499 games in the first, second and third divisions of the League, thinks that some method of countering the play of the "stopper" will be found, but believes that at present no club can do without it.

Crawford has had to give way in the Southampton team to a younger and more virile—defending left-half, though he thinks that he is good for a few more seasons as a player-coach.

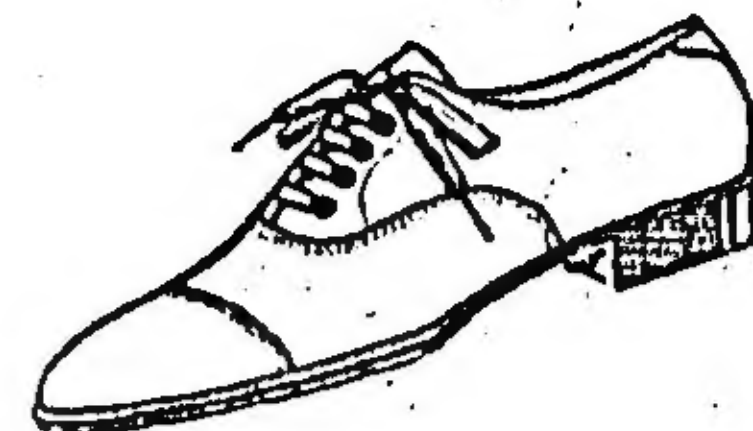
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Men and Things Abroad—by W. N. Ewer

THINGS are not going well with the conquerors of Abyssinia.

By that I do not mean that there is any likelihood of the Italians having to withdraw, or of the Emperor's authority being reasserted.

Or (wildest tale of all recently circulated for the credulous) that Signor Mussolini is going to ask Haile Selassie to return home and help restore order.

All that is just pipe-dreaming. But what is quite sure, from all reliable information that trickles through, is that the conquerors are having an exceedingly bad time of it.

The conquest is by no means completed, and not likely to be completed for years to come.

And all the visions of great riches from the exploitation of Abyssinia's natural wealth, all the dreams of happy colonies of prosperous Italian settlers have faded into a grey disappointment.

The new Empire is proving a source, not of profit, but of heavy and continued loss. Not a single Italian colony has set foot in the promised land.

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It is just about eighteen months since the Italian troops marched into Addis Ababa. In those eighteen months hardly anything has changed. The conquest today is no more effective than it was then.

Certainly the Abyssinian "provisional Government" which was at Gore has collapsed. The last more or less organized army owing (more or less) allegiance to Haile Selassie has been dispersed.

When weather allows, the big Capronis go out on raids, dropping incendiary bombs on random villages to remind them that Fascist Italy has not abandoned her civilizing mission and that the Emperor Victor Emmanuel is Lord of the Abyssinian Air.

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But raiding in the air is a very different thing from ruling on the earth. And except in a few widely separated towns the Italian Emperor exercises no more authority in Abyssinia than the King of Siam.

The Capronis can bomb. But they do not dare to land.

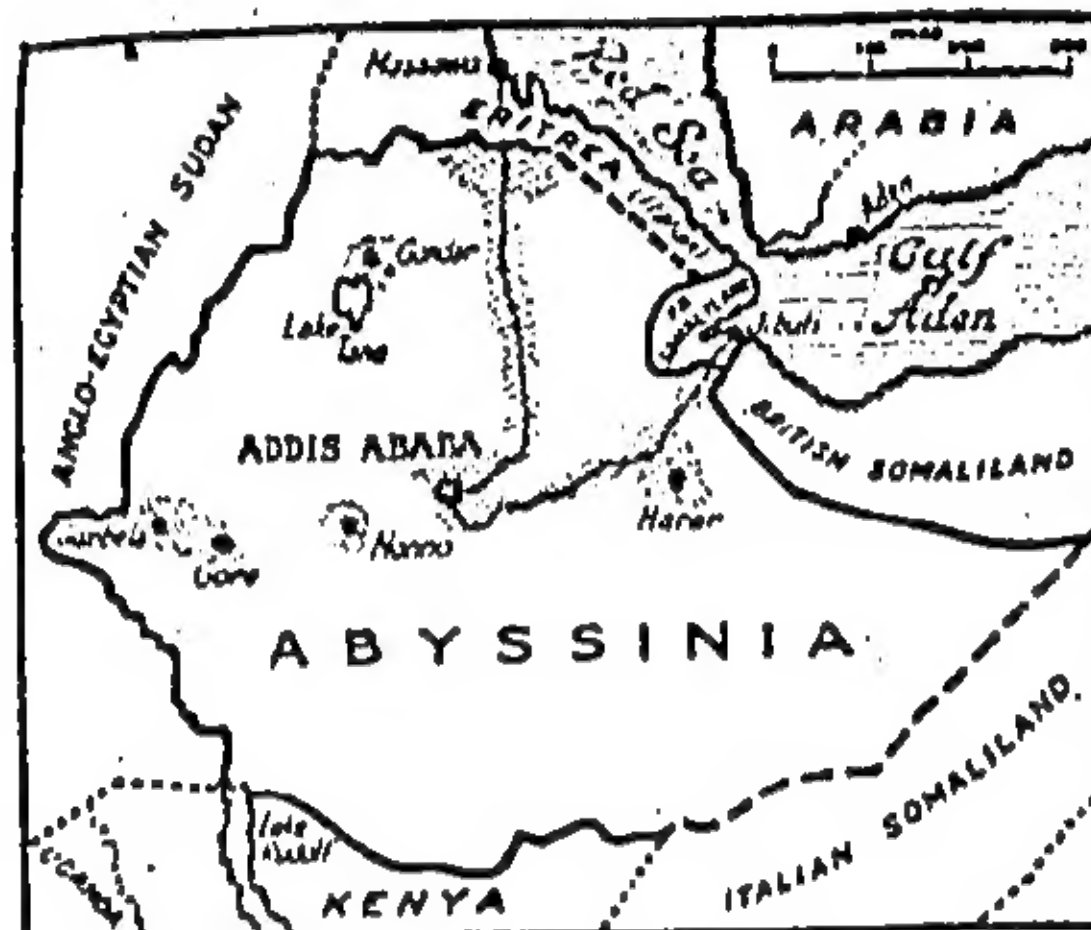
What has happened is this: The governing power in Abyssinia—which was the power of the Emperor and his Rases—has been destroyed without being replaced. And so the greater part of the country has relapsed into that chaotic state which was the norm before the iron hand of Menelik and his Amharas began to weld Abyssinia into an Empire.

Now the Italians must begin all over

Now Italians  
are Asking:



Making young Blackshirts of the little Abyssinians—they hope. The tiny area over which Italy has effective control is shown, shaded, in the map below.



again the work of Menelik. They have not really begun as yet.

Every now and again something happens of which little or no news comes into the outside world. But as a result refugees stream across the border into British Somaliland or Kenya.

There are no newspaper men in these parts, and whatever tales the refugees tell, the British frontier officers keep under their helmets, or only report very confidentially to Whitehall.

Whitehall must, one way and another, know quite a lot about the state of affairs inside Abyssinia. But for rather obvious reasons, it keeps its knowledge to itself.

But this is quite sure. Eighteen months after the fall of Addis, all that the Italians rule of Abyssinia is a little patch around Addis in the North, Addis and Harar in the centre, Gore and Gambela (which can get food from the Sudan) in the West, and a few other odd patches on the borders.

From Addis east to Djibouti runs the railway line. From Addis north to Addis runs the new military road, opened in August. These are the two life-lines of the occupation.

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And the greater part of the energy of the conquerors goes to keeping them open for the trickle of supplies from home without which they must starve in the midst of their conquest.

The new road has been made at big expense and with incredible exertion by military labour. It is a fine feat of

engineering, for the obstacles were tremendous and the conditions very difficult. But as a main artery it is not up to much.

Travel along it, reports an ardent admirer of Fascist Italy, was very slow and very bumpy and hard on motor vehicles. Other travellers report six miles an hour as a normal pace, and the wreckage of overturned lorries is a common sight.

And eighteen months after the victory the gangs work always with their rifles piled near at hand. So little hold has the Italian occupation as yet even on this vital line of communication.

The road-making has been a big work. And indeed any amount of work and energy has gone into the new domain. The point is that there is, and is likely to be, precious little re-

# What Price this Empire GLORY?

turn for all the expenditure of labour and money.

The Italians in Abyssinia are like the Red Queen through the looking glass. They must run desperately hard in order to stay where they are. If they are going to make any progress they must run even faster; and that is not going to be easy.

Life for the garrison of the administration up in Addis is anything but easy. Working and living at an altitude of 8,000 feet is very trying for Europeans.

So they talk of a new capital 1,000 feet lower. But to build it and run road and rail to it is another big task.

Here in Addis is the main body of the conquerors.

Lords of the land around them, they dare not go a few miles out of town unless as an expedition with tanks and armoured cars complete, and aeroplanes to scout for them.

They, who should be garnering great riches from the conquest, cannot even live on it themselves. Since the February massacre the natives have been sullen and subdued.

There is little enough danger of open revolt in or around the city. But if they accept Italian rule, they are not in the least anxious to accept Italian money.

The Italians are having to learn by experience that "owning" a colony does not in the least mean that you can buy unlimited raw materials in exchange for paper currency.

Quite apart from political prejudice, the Abyssinians look askance at the Italian paper offered them for their produce.

It is no use to them. There is nothing they can buy for it except fantastic prices. So the natives will not sell.

The lire sits up and drops in value. Prices mount. There is talk of a "currency crisis."

There has been some seizing of

crops for, of course, "arrears of taxation." The result has been a drop in cultivation. The natives are drifting away out of reach of the "tax-gatherers." The difficulty of feeding the capital is at times acute.

As to the conquerors, they would not be there at all if they were not continually supplied from home—along their one railway, along their one road.

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Sometimes, in the past months—for Spanish or other reasons—there has been a falling off in the flow of supplies. At once the situation of the conquerors has become precarious: urgent messages have gone to Rome.

Mussolini must feed and feed his new Empire continuously, or it will die. It is not even self-supporting, let alone profitable.

The conquerors are remittance men. And the people of Italy must provide and go on providing the remittances. All that the "glittering sword of Rome" has won for them is a new and heavy burden.

The Italian people have spent millions, and have got less than nothing in return. But they are condemned to go on. For the prestige of Fascism and the vanity of Mussolini are involved.

There is a six-year plan of "investment." £150,000,000 are to be spent: the bulk of it on roads and buildings. And then? Even then there is no guarantee, that the new Empire will have begun to pay its way.

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Like Blenheim, it was, no doubt, a "famous victory."

The bombing and gassing of the defenceless Abyssinians added, no doubt, new lustre to the Italian arms, the violation of treaties new honour to the Italian name.

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Father and mother decorate the tree together. The dining-room door is locked against the children from the early morning because the presents are piled on the floor. Fritz and his elder sister Edith carefully wrap up the presents they have made during the last months and mark them "for father" and "for mother" and put them in front of the dining-room door. They are put under the Christmas tree unopened.

Christmas Eve brings surprise, or fulfilment of the wishes written by the youngest of the family on a piece of paper weeks ago and put into a stocking which was hung outside the window. The list was gone the morning after and the stockings filled with sweets.

Fritz knows that father and mother are really Father Christmas, but this knowledge does not lessen his excitement.

At last the great moment comes, they are called in. All the candles are burning on the tree and the colourful decorations sparkle and glitter. There is no other light in the room. Fritz and his younger sister rush to the table to look for their presents under the tree.

But Edith walks slowly, starting at the lights on the tree. She screams with joy, however, when she finds all the things she has so much longed for. She goes to her parents, thank them.

"That was all Father Christmas," glad that Fritz and his sister know all the verses that he promises some little presents as a reward.

MOTHER looks tired after all the cooking and baking she has done, but there are two holidays in front of her, so she dances with all the family around the tree. When the children have gone to bed, grandma looks in and finds the little girl sleeping beside her new doll, and Fritz's aeroplane has landed on his blanket.

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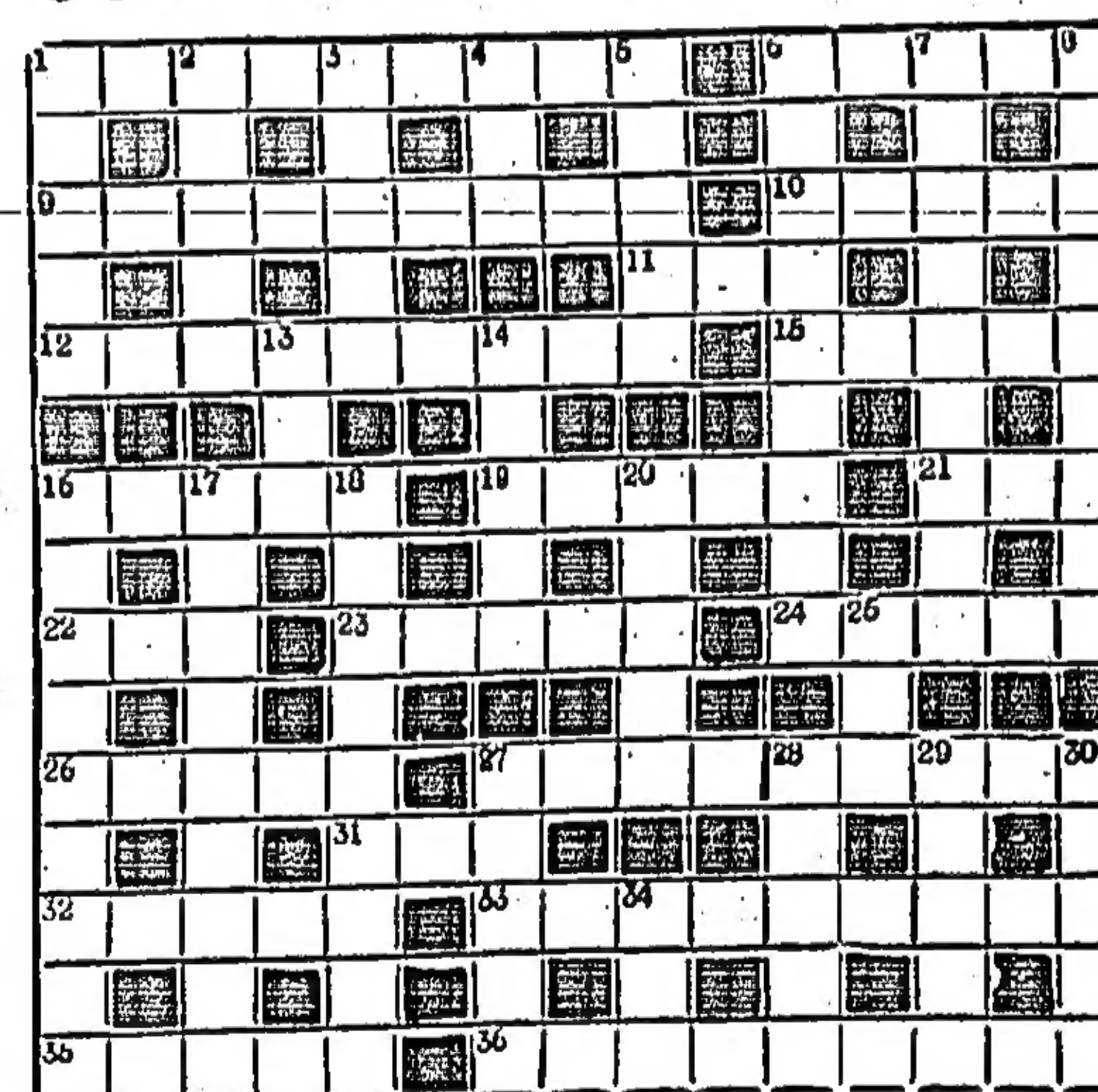
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### ACROSS

- Looking ahead invaluable to a marksman (9).
- This the owner used to point out where the gardener was to use the spade (5).
- No, this sort of country is not necessarily the right place for farmers to get their meal from (9).
- Some horse in India (5).
- What you have to have in 6 down (3).
- Surely not a suitable medium for redecorating kennels? (9).
- Flinch (5).
- Well-known cricketer (5).
- Not a tug; but part of a building (5).
- Nautical position (3).
- Many a this may be still seen in the streets of Pompeii (3).
- Changes of air would have made him a Scottish child (5).
- Mere perpendicular (5).
- "Tales" (anag.) (5).
- Short-lived (9).
- Del about this for a stage show (3).
- Scottish shire (5).
- A coarse quality (9).
- Meaning (5).
- This cropping up again describes your electric light bill (9).

### DOWN

- Well entertained, not doomed, in spite of the sound (5).
- A wordy puzzle about a vehicle apparently (5).
- "Our castle's strength will laugh a—to scorn" ("Macbeth") (5).
- A tall-jean goat found in only one part of Asia (3).
- An Elizabethan surname (5).

- Direction many a surgeon walks (9).
- An aromatic root (9).
- A bit of a teaser certainly (9).
- This is a common vessel but reversed (3).
- Primi donna (5).
- Sleepers are always under this sort of misfortune (two words—4, 5).
- "When sorrows come they come not single aples but in—s" ("Hamlet") (9).
- Suitable material for a golfer to stand on? (9).
- She was a girl once (5).
- Colour (3).
- English musical composer (5).
- His means are acquired by means of meanness (5).
- Bird (5).
- Hungarian musical composer (5).
- Sea-monster (3).

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# Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

HAPPENINGS  
AS SEEN BY  
THE CAMERA'S EYE



**DEDICATION**—Despite the precarious state of his health, here Pope Pius, seated on his throne and flanked by high dignitaries, presides over the inauguration ceremonies of the pontifical Roman Athenaeum, built out of his private purse at a cost of about £100,000. The new institute is in connection with the Church of St. John Lateran in Rome. Gestures of His Holiness were said to have been vigorous and decided.



**ITALY'S PIANO PRODIGY**—Six-year-old Paolo Spagnolo, diminutive piano soloist from Italy, who made his American debut recently in New York, without a trace of nervousness the youngster, garbed in black velvet, mounted his high seat and launched into music by Haydn, Schumann and others that amazed a highly critical audience.



**TAKES LAST REVIEW**—General Henri Gouraud, left, beloved one-armed hero of the French army in the World War, takes his last review in Paris before retiring as Military Governor of the city. He has reached his 70th year. An commander of the French Fourth Army, his strategy was deemed magnificent. Above, a fellow officer reads the General's farewell address.



**JAPANESE PUSH NORTHWARD**—Victorious Japanese pushing their rapid advance northward after capturing Shanghai, are shown as this tank unit rumbles over the road to Taiyuan. As a protection against the winter weather, which has set in, soldiers wear heavy overcoats and other clothing.



**NETS \$2.35 A POUND**—A fine Orange, 110-pound steer of the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, that sold at auction for \$2.35 a pound, is shown here, left to right, Professor W. L. Blizzard, exhibitor; head of Oklahoma A. & M. College, exhibiting the steer; Chief Judge Alexander Ritchie of Windsor, England, who put him on the block; William Ritchie, a brother of New Orleans, and Arthur MacArthur, head headman of the college.

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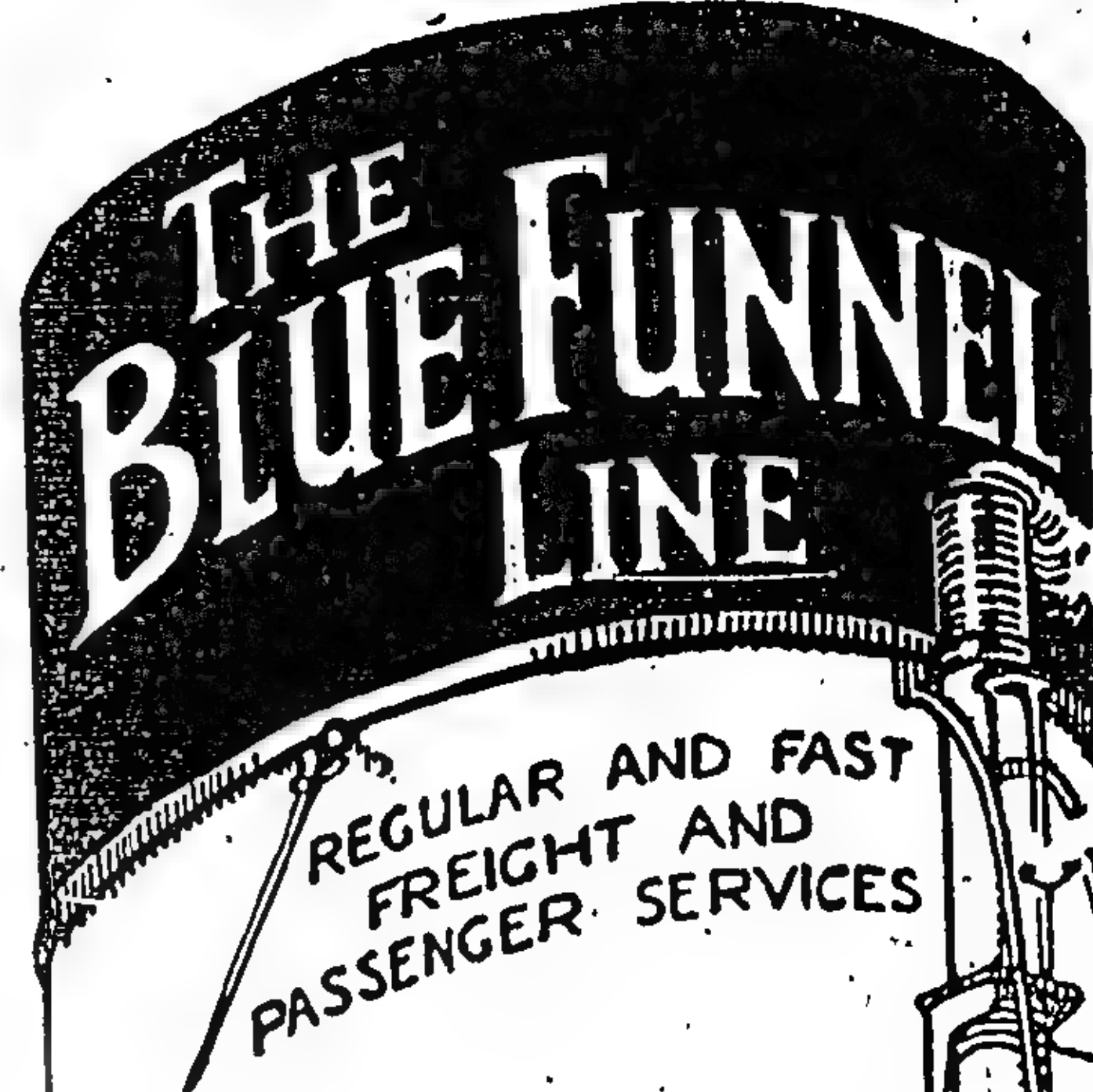
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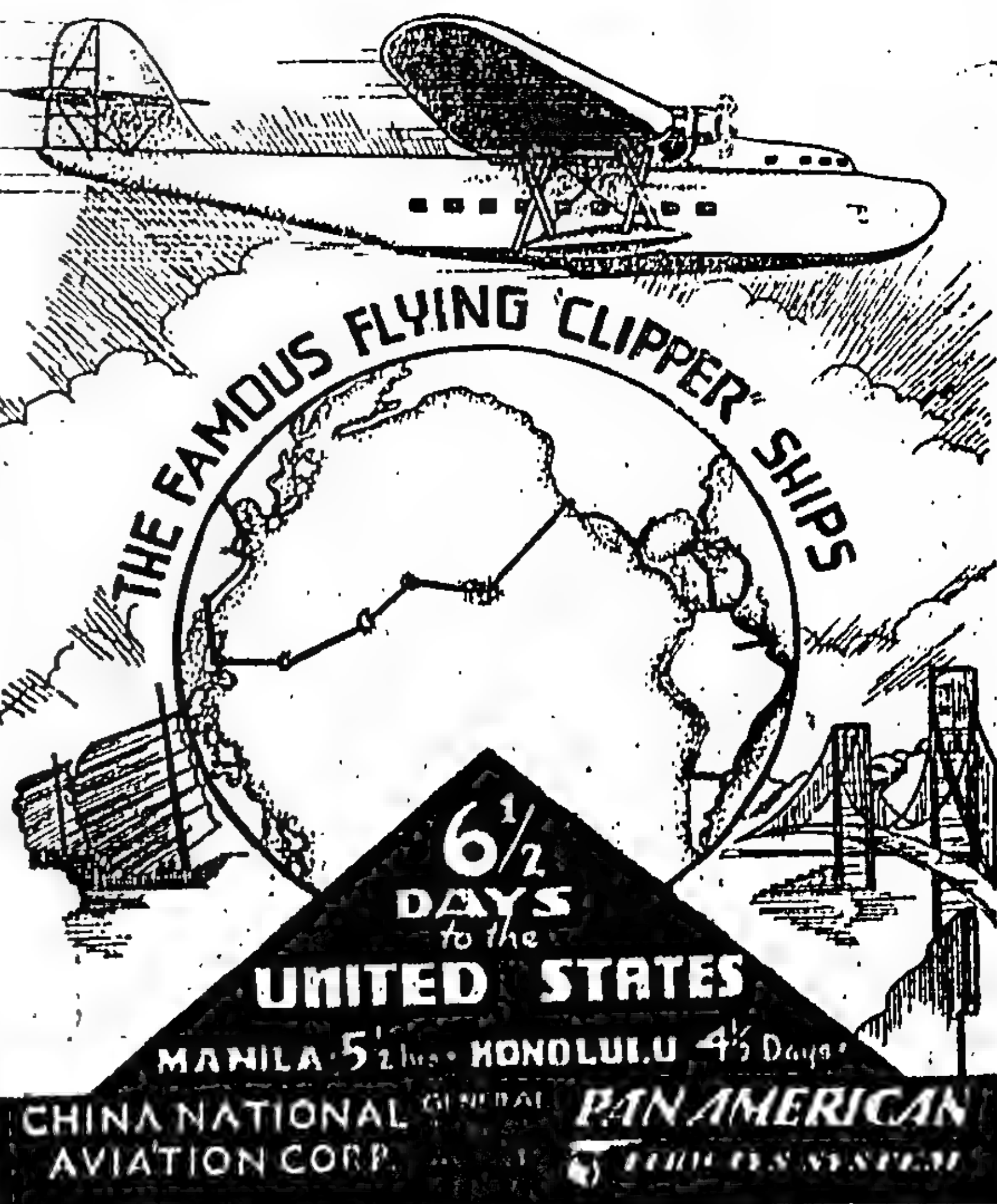
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### HITLER'S NEPHEW



William Patrick Hitler, nephew of the Führer, recently visited London to see his mother, who lives there. The 28 years old William Hitler was born in Liverpool, where his father had a razor business, and has an eye for his idol. He also wears the well-known Hitler moustache.

The cause of the trouble is that Britain has produced airmail machines with a performance so good that the Americans feel a little "left behind."

On the 790-mile New York-Bermuda joint service the British pilots have been ordered to throttle down from their normal 165 m.p.h. cruising speed to keep to the 143 m.p.h. schedule of the Pan-American airboats.

It is explained that it would cause "embarrassment" if one half of the "pool" ran the ultra-fashionable Bermuda service an hour faster than its partner.

The U.S. company are facing bitter criticism over the way Britain's 200-m.p.h. air-boats beat America's Clipper III, in the summer's Atlantic survey flights.

### MONTREAL PROPOSAL

Juan Trippe, globe-trotting head of Pan-American, has been officially asked way he entered into agreement for a "pool" Atlantic service before he had planes as complete as the British planes.

Clipper III, an old boat, was the only available American machine that had the performance necessary for flying the North Atlantic. The two British airboats, Campania and Californica, part of a fleet of twenty-eight machines, now used on Latin routes, made ten Atlantic flights, compared with the Clipper's four, and easily beat the American's speed on all but two trips.

Campania set up a new Atlantic record of 10 hours 33 minutes, and the British boats' average time for the ocean crossings was 13 hours 43 minutes, compared with the American's 14 hours 49 minutes.

It is understood that Imperial Airways may decide on Montreal, Canada, as an alternate Atlantic air base. New York was the base envisaged by Government agreements.

## Girl Kept in A Cage

A girl shut up in a cage has been discovered by the French Police. Acting on reports from the village of Paret-en-Treuve, St. Briens, Calvados, the police visited the home of the girl's parents.

The girl, who is mentally deficient, was allowed out her cage only to work in the house and the fields. Her parents have been arrested on a charge of sequestration.

They had obtained permission from local authority to remove their daughter, who is harmless, to look after her at home.

### SHIPS IN WIRELESS COMMUNICATION

The following ships are expected to be in wireless communication with Hongkong radio: President Hoover, Titanic, Africa, Chitral, Potsdam, Toulouse, Shantien, President Pierce, Prosper, Yinchow, Pingal, Nankin, Conte Verde, Neptuna, Shirala, Kulsang, Kweiyang.

## £2,000 Offer to Eyston

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Captain Eyston said to-day that he preferred not to comment until he had studied the offer.—Press Association Foreign Special.

## STOP PRESS

### NEARING TSINGTAO

Tsinan, Jan. 4. Japanese claim the capture of Tsingtao is only a matter of time. Japanese troops are said to be driving along the Tsinan-Tsingtao Railway and making rapid progress. A Peace Maintenance Commission is functioning at Tsinan, where a Mohammedan, General Ma Liang, is reported to be in control.

It is stated he has issued a manifesto denouncing the National Government and the Kuomintang and pledging co-operation with the Japanese.—Reuter.

### BOOM NOT YET CLOSED

Shanghai, Jan. 4. The Chinshai boom, at the mouth of the Yangtze River, leading to Ningpo, has not been closed, as a result of representations made to the Chinese authorities by Ningpo merchants. Ningpo has been an important source of food supply for Shanghai since the beginning of hostilities.—Reuter.



## LOYALISTS REPULSED INSURGENTS GAIN TERUEL GROUND

Hendaye, Jan. 3. The battle for Teruel has reached the final stage. It is reported that the weather is improving, but there are three or four feet of snow on the battlefield in which thousands have floundered.

The Nationalist offensive has admittedly repulsed the Loyalists at the key points and they are confident of completely capturing the city in a day or two. It is evident that on the scale on which the insurgents are attacking there is the chance of every man having to be mobilised.

A correspondent on the Segond front reports that the Loyalists seem to be planning to withdraw to lines held before the drive and there maintain strong defences. He says that the weather will probably prevent the Nationalists penetrating past Teruel, though possibly they may undertake an important offensive in more favourable country, possibly in the far south.—United Press.

### HELP FROM ITALY

Gibraltar, Jan. 3. Over 4,000 Italian Black Shirts have arrived at Puerto de Santa Maria, on the southern Spanish coast, from Morocco on their way to the Aragon front to take part in the attack on Teruel.—United Press.

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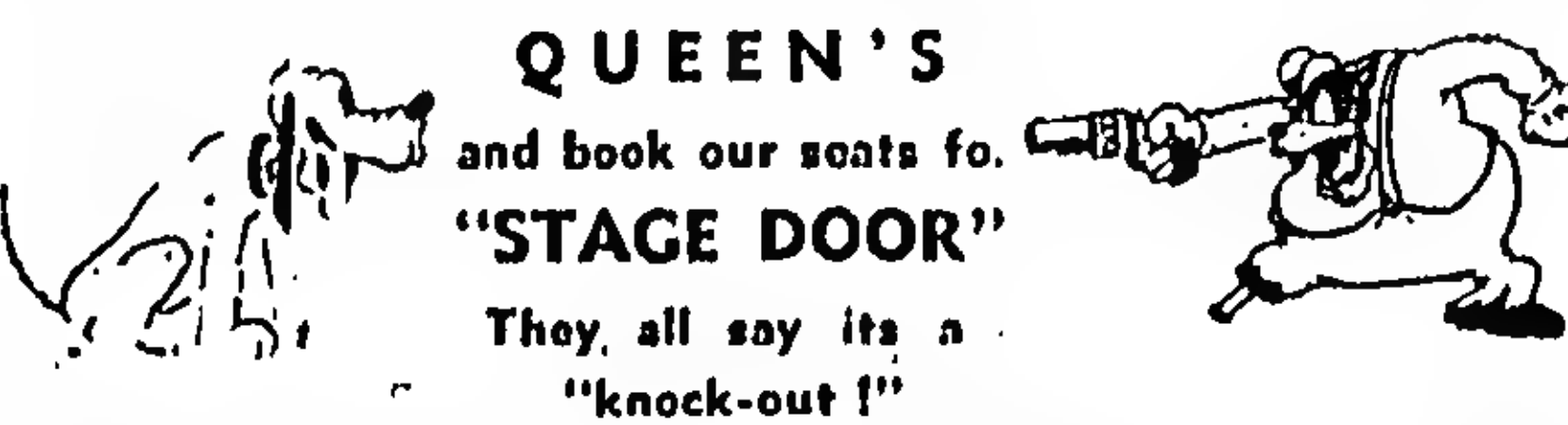
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## CHINESE GAIN CONFIDENCE IN ADVANCE

### RECAPTURE OF HANGCHOW ONLY MATTER OF TIME

Fears for Foreigners,  
Including British  
Bishop, Now Felt

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

The Chinese re-occupation of Hangchow is only a matter of time, according to the Chinese "Ironside" General, Chang Fah-wei, who is directing the Chinese counter-offensive.

It is claimed that the Japanese forces in the city have withdrawn and the Japanese are suffering heavy casualties in severe fighting in the region of the West Lake and on the shores of Hangchow Bay.

The latest developments have aroused concern for the welfare of Bishop Curtis, an Englishman, and 30 other foreigners, in Hangchow.—*Reuter*.

#### Chinese Make Rapid Progress

Kientai, Jan. 4.

Operating from their base at Hsuehsheng in southeastern Anhwei, the Chinese left wing is rapidly advancing towards Shaochi and Maichai on the Anhwei-Cheking border, according to military advisers received here to-day.

At the same time, the Chinese right wing is making progress in their advance towards Yuliang. Facing the prospect of being surrounded, Japanese troops operating in the vicinity of Fuyang and Hangchow have now withdrawn toward Kiang-ki and Kungshenkiang.

Both Linping on the Shanghai-Hangchow Railway and Wukang, 50 kilometres north-west of Hangchow, are still in Japanese hands.—*Central News*.

#### Relentless Assault

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

The Chinese forces in Cheking, aided by the extensive operations of flying columns, continue to unleash a relentless assault upon the Japanese Garrison in the Hangchow area. According to Chinese reports, detachments claim to have occupied two strategic approaches to Hangchow city. They have now reached Luhotu, located near Hangchow Christian College.

The two key points said to have been taken by the Chinese are Fuyang, 20 miles north-east of Hangchow, and Yuliang, only ten miles to the west of the port.

Chinese militiamen, in plain clothes, are said to be active in Hangchow itself, and the main body of Japanese troops is said to be slowly retreating.

Heavy fighting is said to be in progress in the vicinity of Hupao-shan.—*Reuter*.

#### Japanese Troops Withdrawn

Hsuehsheng, Jan. 4.

Quiet prevails on all fronts on the north bank of the Yangtze River. Part of the Japanese troops at Holsien and Wuei in Anhwei are reported to have been withdrawn.—*Central News*.

#### Japanese Attempt To Land

Amoy, Jan. 4.

Four Japanese warships fired over 40 shells at Chihshui in Hsinghua Bay on the Fukien coast yesterday morning to cover the landing of marines, who, however, were repulsed by the Chinese forces defending the town.—*Central News*.

#### SEAMAN REPORTED MISSING

A report has been made to the police by Capt. Radford, master of the steamer Queen Adelaide, lying in Junk Bay, that a member of the crew named Robert Brown, 20, has been missing from the ship since January 1. When last seen, Brown was believed to have had approximately \$40 in his pocket. He is said to have been a soldier.

## Canton-Kowloon Bridges Heavily Bombed

GRIM LITTLE MEN "MOP UP"



Wearing gas masks that give them a fearsome look, here are Japanese soldiers making a search through the ruins of a town in the Shanghai area for survivors of their recent shelling and bombing. Death awaits any they find hiding there.

### U.S. Navy On Manoeuvres In Pacific

San Diego, Jan. 4.

More than 150 warships of all classes put to sea from San Diego and San Pedro to-day for a week's gunnery drill in preparation for the war games in the Pacific which are now at hand.

Meanwhile, the cruisers Trenton, Memphis and Milwaukee have sailed for their rendezvous with the U.S.S. Louisville, and all will go to Sydney, Australia, on a courtesy visit, by way of Hawaii and the American possession of Guam.—*United Press*.

### TERUEL BATTLE RAGING

Loyalists Claim  
Successes  
Relief Force  
Checked

Barcelona, Jan. 4.

A Loyalist communique states that troops storming the Governor's palace in Teruel found the bodies of many women and children, including babies, and captured several scores of starved insurgents, many of them badly wounded. However, their comrades did not surrender, but took refuge in a near-by hotel.

The Loyalists also occupied the Santa Clara convent, killing or capturing scores of insurgent troops.

A terrific battle continues outside the city on three fronts, the outer ring of the Loyalist army fighting to prevent the relief of the beleaguered defenders of Teruel. They claim to have held all their gains inside the city and by counter-attacks to have forced the insurgents to retreat in several sectors, outside.

Loyalists claim the insurgents have shot women and children held as hostages, when they tried to escape. However, Franco-Spanish frontier despatches say that apparently many of these innocent people died when the Asturian attackers blasted the walls of the insurgent positions with dynamite.—*United Press*.

#### BLOOD TRACKS IN SNOW

Hendaye, Jan. 4.

Insurgent and Loyalist troops, in their canvas shoes, are leaving bloody footprints in the snow as they go into the hand-to-hand struggle for the possession of the main highway into the besieged and bloody town of Teruel. The temperature is at zero, the wind often reaching 50 miles an hour. The soldiers have been without food for 48 hours, but they fight with knives and rifle-bullets outside the walls.—*United Press*.

### EMERGENCY LAWS AGAIN IN FORCE

### H.K. Government Given Free Hand for Any Crisis Developing

Emergency regulations which were promulgated in 1931 during Sino-Japanese tension in North China, have been revived by the Hongkong Government during the present crisis.

By notification in this week's *Government Gazette*, the Colonial Secretary draws attention to the fact that these regulations are still in force.

They give the widest possible powers to the Police and Government in dealing with any emergency that may arise.

Police and any other public officers are empowered to arrest any person suspected of having contravened Emergency Regulations.

### Tsingtao Volunteers In Action

Capture Raiding  
Pirates

Tsingtao, Jan. 4.

Twenty-two Chinese pirates, stealing coal from a naval wharf here, were captured by foreign volunteers last night.

The volunteers approached the wharf from the sea in junks while the freebooters were busy loading their own craft with coal.

In a running battle the majority of the robbers escaped to sea in their junks but 22 were cut off and captured.

Police junks have now been stationed at the entrance of the harbour to guard against further depredations.

The city's Chinese volunteer administrators are now laying plans to take over all administrative duties from the foreign volunteers. Volunteer police stations have been established within the destroyed Japanese mills as a precaution against further looting of Japanese-owned property.

Meanwhile, the British ship *Greyhound* arrived here yesterday from Hongkong, will make a short stay here and then proceed to Weihaiwei.

The Commissioner of Police, and any police officer authorized by him, is empowered to arrest and detain any person who apparently has no regular employment in the Colony, and such person may be ordered to leave the Colony forthwith. No trial is necessary before deportation is carried out.

The Governor-in-Council is empowered to suppress the printing or publication of any newspaper, and the Commissioner of Police may seize the plant of such newspapers.

Censorship of telegram from and to Hongkong may be enforced by Government without previous notice of intention. The Postmaster-General, or any person authorized by him, is empowered to seize, open and censor any letter received by the Post Office.

#### COMMANDEERING RULE

The Regulations authorize the Commissioner of Police to take possession of any premises in the Colony, and use or control them for any purpose which he may consider a public purpose. Similarly, any motor car, lorry or other vehicle (Continued on Page 4.)

A Japanese warship, believed to be a minesweeper, came to Tsingtao yesterday, appearing just opposite the Grand Hotel. The warship later steamed away.—*Reuter*.

### JAPANESE RAIDERS FAIL TO DESTROY EAST RIVER SPAN

Further Details of Railway  
Disaster North of Canton

Canton, Jan. 4.

It is now revealed that during the air raid along the Canton-Kowloon Railway yesterday six Japanese bombers circled high over the Sheklung area and released scores of explosives but failed to destroy the bridge spanning the East River.

For the past three months the Japanese invaders have time and again tried to blow up the bridge but Chinese anti-aircraft guns have succeeded in keeping the Japanese planes at a safe distance.—*Central News*.

#### Further Details Of Train Derailment

Canton, Jan. 4.

Further details regarding the derailment of a north-bound train at a tunnel between Wongshek and Lailung stations on the Canton-Hankow Railway, about 120 miles from Canton on the night of January 2 were revealed in a report received here to-day.

Whilst the exact number of casualties is still under investigation, about 24 passengers, half being women and children, have so far been found dead and more than 30 hurt, 10 seriously. No railway employees have been either killed or injured.

An investigation showed that the derailment was due to a damaged rail as a result of the constant bombing of the railway by Japanese planes. Though repairs were rushed after each raid, the slight damage to the rail had somehow escaped the attention of the engineers. Congestion of traffic during the last few days further weakened it.

#### Scene Of Horror

Under the heavy weight of the locomotive of the ill-fated train the (Continued on Page 4.)

### STOP PRESS

### AIR RAIDS CONTINUE

Canton, Jan. 4. (2.10 p.m.).

Air raid alarms continued to keep Canton in a state of apprehensiveness to-day. Three were sounded during the morning and it is understood that the raiders attacked the railways to the north and east of the city. No reports of damage are at hand.—*United Press*.

Canton, Jan. 4. (2.15 p.m.). An urgent air raid alarm has just sounded here.—*United Press*.

(Further Stop Press News on Page 12.)

### Silver Price On 24-Hour Basis Still

Washington, Jan. 3.

Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the U.S. Treasury, said to-day that he had studied the silver problem prior to President Roosevelt's proclamation reducing the domestic price. His study was the "most exhaustive ever made; and included everything," he said.

Responding to questions as to why the foreign price had not been reduced, Mr. Morgenthau said:

"There will be no proclamation affecting our foreign purchases." He added he saw no reason for the cutting of the world price. However, he drew attention to the fact that the world price was on a 24-hour basis.

"I promise you when there is any change in the price we will let you know," he added.—*United Press*.



# GAY COLOUR NOTES

By  
Mary  
Grace



A musical motif is striking on bodice and pocket of a simply cut dress.

TO the woman who is handy with her needle embroidery is a fascinating recreation. A plain piece of material turned into a lovely piece of work admired by friends gives a great feeling of personal satisfaction.

And now we have a chance to give fashionable clothes that individual touch which we all like to attain. For Paris is showing not only blouses and lingerie, but dresses trimmed with attractive handwork.

Our artist has sketched four typical versions of the new embroidery vogue, all of which are being shown this season in Paris.

What do you think of the blouse with its musical trimming? The bars are worked in outline stitch. Start from the right hand side and hold your work so that you embroider upwards.

Bring the needle through from the wrong side, keep your needle facing down when taking each stitch, and remember to keep the thread to the left of the needle.

Do the next stitch from above, and bear in mind that the bottom of each stitch must come out close to the top of the preceding one.

This same stitch is used for the entire piece of embroidery. The notes are in with-satin stitch. This is simply a series of even stroke stitches very close together so that none of the material shows.

The little blouse with its pleated petal neck has a tiny posy of flowers outlined in satin stitch. Both this and the Hungarian design on the coat can be carried out in wools in lazy daisy stitch, satin stitch, and stem stitch. The first-named is an extremely popular form of embroidery.

Tiny houses, garden rakes, flower in

pot, and single blooms are scattered round the buttonhole edge of the coat with the Peter Pan collar. With a little ingenuity you can make an extremely colourful and decorative jacket.

Lazy daisy is a very quickly worked stitch. It is used largely, as its name implies, for small daisy-like flowers. It is also used for tiny leaves. One stitch accounts for a small petal or leaf.

Start at the centre of flower or stem of leaf. Bring the needle through from the wrong side. Hold down the thread and insert needle again at the same place, bringing it out at top of petal.

Keeping thread over needle, pull it up to cover outline of petal. Secure the loop with your needle to the back again to start the next petal.

This stitch can be employed with good effect on lingerie collars and cuffs as well as on clothes for baby. Embroidery cotton or silk can be used for the finer materials and wools for heavier fabrics.

A good effect can be obtained on belts, jumpers or capes by making small daisies together so that you can hardly see the background.

The secret is to keep the stitches simple, for in this way a gay, bold design is achieved, especially if you choose your colours with care. The little houses, for instance, could be all carried out in outline stitch.

A large variety of embroidery transfers are always available in the shops, and are easy to iron on to your work. If, however, you have drawn or traced your own design it is a simple matter to transfer it to material by means of an embroidery carbon.

Use a white one for dark materials and a dark one for light. Place your carbon between your fabric and the design, and trace over the outline with a stiletto or knitting needle.

The fourth blouse shown has deep-shaped buttons as a finish. These are made from inch squares of flannel in two different colours. The numbered dots are embroidered in a contrast shade. The squares are tightly packed with cotton wool so that they do not lose their shape.

Paris has also given us a labelling craze. Initials or names are added to hankies and small articles intended for Christmas presents.

The upright strokes of the letters are formed of ribbon tape or narrow picot-edged strips of material, such as georgette or crepe.

The rest of the letter is embroidered with a small running stitch with another strand of silk threaded over to give a rope stitch effect.

## Original Embroidery

Tiny flower posies give distinction to the little blouse with its deep pleated vestee and pin frill collar. The smart bolero is trimmed with a gay garden design in bold Hungarian colours. Dico-shaped buttons of flannel with embroidered spots are a practical novelty.

## THESE CLOTHES ROB WINTER OF ITS STING

Warm, Fashions For the New Year



coloured crepe with gold embroidery, and the second model is composed of leaf-green corduroy trousers, velvet jumper and short mess jacket.

I AM sure it is not the roast beef of Old England that has made us the hardy nation that we are, but the coldness of our country houses and the discomfort of our public schools.

If this supposition is correct, the two models sketched here should be viewed with alarm, for they infer that the blood of English women is probably changed into a chillon tea-town after a hard day's hunting, and that she had never heard of central heating, you realise how pampered we are in these days.

Examine the girl wearing the leaf-green corduroy trousers suit. This is the model of a new house called

out of an English winter. One is a knee-length cape in thick, soft, mustard-coloured tweed woven by Welsh miners. The cape is attached to a waistcoat, and can be worn over skirts or woollen dresses. It looks equally well with brown, navy-blue, copper, prune colour, or dark green.

A lapis-blue suit in hand-woven tweed has a plain blue skirt and a blue and black check jacket. A dark green suit, in a curious flat cloth rather like felt, has a divided skirt and very new V-shaped inverted pleats at the back of the jacket, which has stand-out pockets.

The belt of this suit is of leather, with a small white string ball bag at one side in which you can tuck two or three golf balls. Jade-green suede is used for a suit with a box jacket, slim-fitting skirt and suede hat to match.

If you wish to continue this story of warm fashions for cold houses you have only to go on to the Echo de Paris and see the clothes designed by Princess Alfonso de Chimay, which are worn in many of the chilliest ancestral homes.

The "Band Master" suit sketched is a typical example of her evening suits. It is in flame-coloured crepe with bands of gold-thread embroidery. The slim-fitting skirt, slit up the front, has bands of the embroidery down the side seams as well. Another suit of much the same cut is in deep night-blue with squares of blue sequins on the front of the jacket.

For hunt balls there is an evening dress in violet silk jersey, with the backless bodice cut to a deep V in the front and fullness at the front of the skirt. Round the high waistline is tied a narrow rose-pink velvet ribbon, the streamers of which hang down the front of the skirt. A little draped jacket turns the frock into a dinner gown.

## Evening Clothes

SEQUINS are still in the front line of fashion. The latest idea is to have slender sequin trees growing from hemline of an ankle-length evening coat, rearing elegant branches and blossoms in the region of the shoulder blades and helping to make the wearer look slim.

Sometimes the tree design is repeated in sequins on the front of the coat. A other cold-weather idea for evening coats is red velvet lined with turquoise satin, suggesting warmth with a certain regal splendour.

Chiffon and fur as evening coats sound a contradictory combination, but they are used effectively when fox skins are mounted upright, leaving a space of about four inches between each skin.

Cocoon and copper-dyed fox are mounted on leaf-brown georgette or chiffon. White skins are mounted on either black or white.

These new wraps make a smart covering for winter nights.

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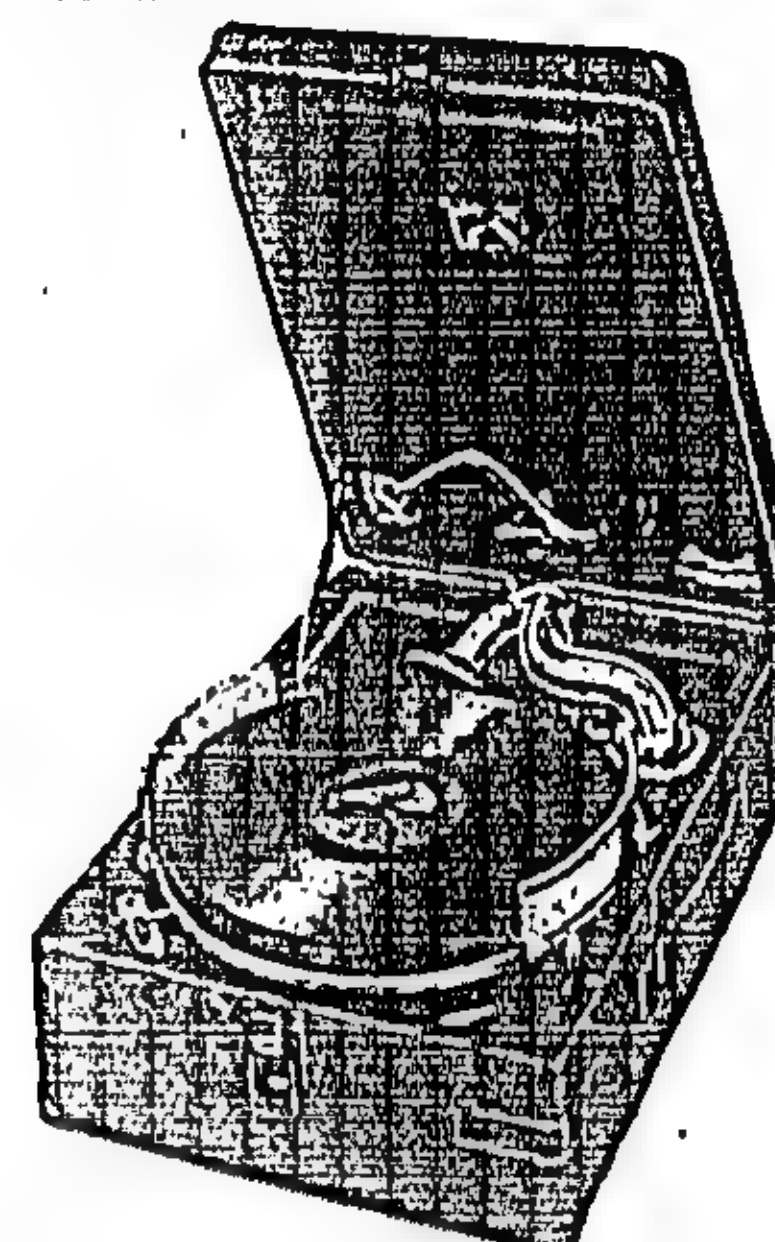
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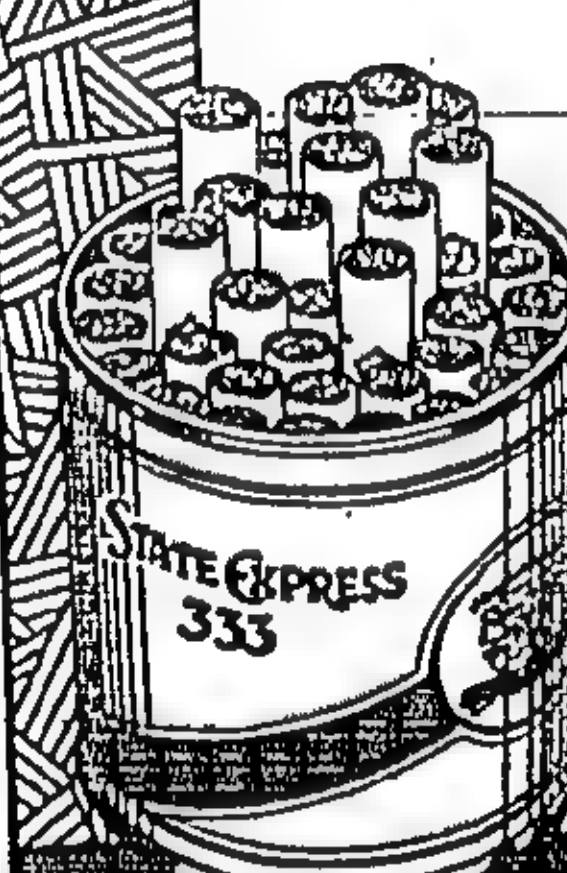
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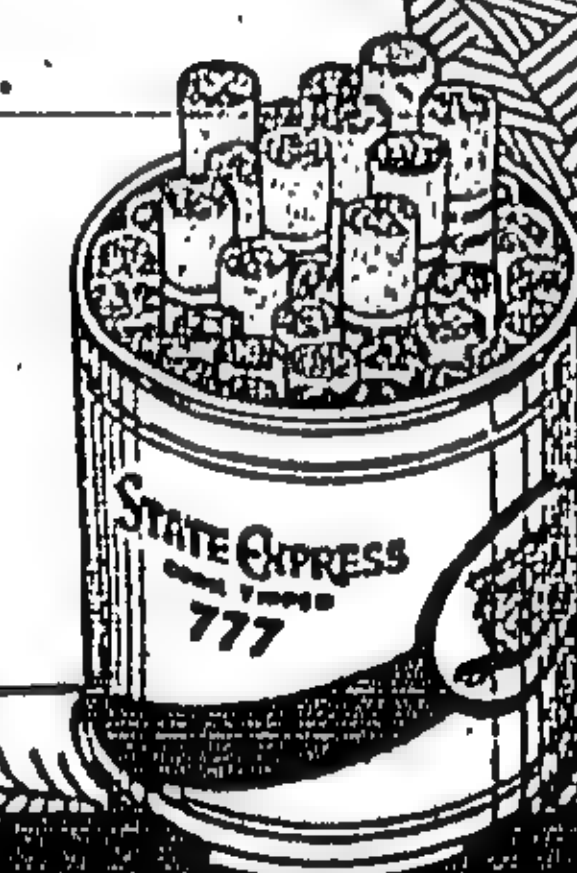
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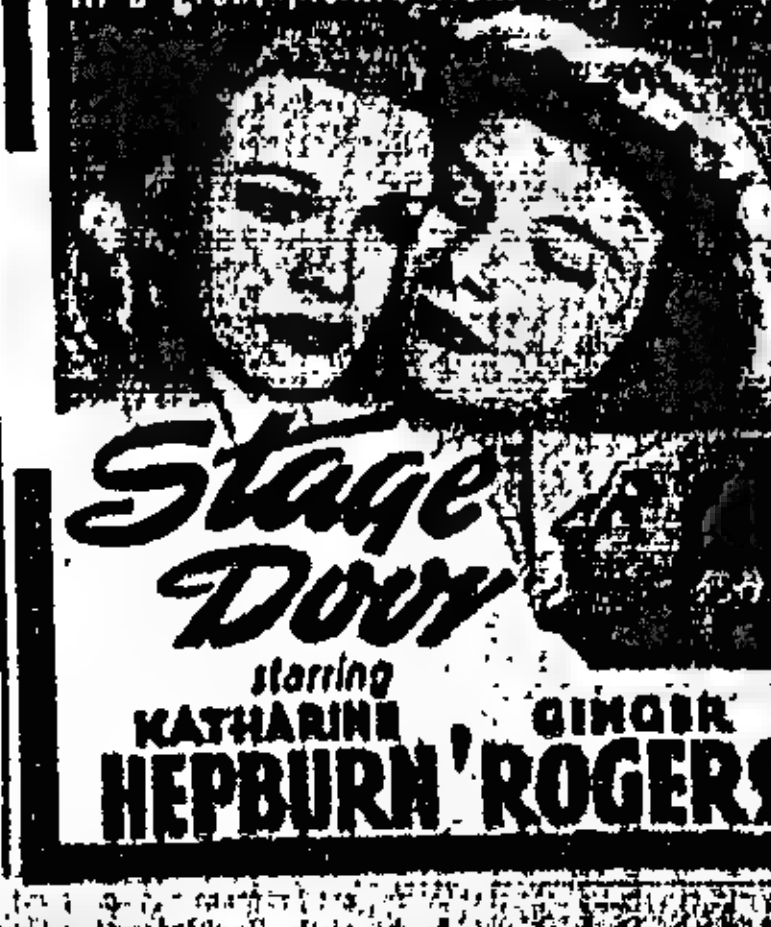
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## SMILE PLEASE...

By Minnie  
Pallister

A GROUP of us were discussing a man who was well known for his public work and eminent gifts. Everyone had something to say about his varying contributions, his oratory, his philanthropy, his self-sacrifice.

One woman remained rather silent. Afterwards she told me why.

"I know it seems childish of me," she confessed, "and I realise that all you were saying was quite true. I don't for a moment want to deny all the great things which this man has done, but I have never forgotten an incident that happened nearly twenty years ago."

"I was very young," she said, "and had only just begun my office work. I had to meet this man one day, show him the way to a committee, take his hat and generally look after him."

Important Detail  
"I remember that he handed me his hat without a smile, hardly looked at me, in fact treated me as if I had been a piece of furniture. I expect I was unduly sensitive, but I felt that if he had just smiled it would have made all the difference."

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### Disregard of Obligations Follows Trend to Other Forms of Government

Washington, Jan. 3. Unwavering faith in the future of democratic government was expressed by President Franklin D. Roosevelt in his eagerly awaited address to the second regular session of the 79th Congress.

In his message, the President said that in spite of the determination of the United States for peace it had become clear that the acts and policies of nations in other parts of the world had far-reaching effects, not only upon their immediate neighbours, but also on the United States.

"I am thankful I can tell you our nation is at peace," declared President Roosevelt. "It has kept the peace despite provocations which in other days, because of their seriousness, could well have engendered war. The People and the Government of the United States have shown a capacity for restraint and a civilised approach to the purposes of peace, while at the same time we maintain the integrity inherent in the sovereignty of 130,000,000 people, lest we weaken and destroy our influence for peace and jeopardise the sovereignty itself."

"It is our traditional policy to live at peace with other nations. Further we have been leaders in advocating the use of pacific methods in discussion and conciliation in international differences. We have driven for the reduction of military forces, but in a world of high tension and disorder and where stable civilisation is actually threatened, it becomes the responsibility of each nation striving for peace at home and peace among the other nations, to be strong enough to ensure the observance of those fundamentals for a peaceful solution of conflicts, which is the only ultimate basis of orderly existence."

"Resolute in our determination to respect the rights of others and to command respect for rights ourselves, we must keep ourselves adequately strong in self-defence. There is a trend away from the observance of both the letter and the spirit of treaties. We propose to observe, as we have done in the past, our own treaty obligations, but we cannot be certain of reciprocity on the part of others."

#### TREND FROM DEMOCRACY

"The disregard of treaty obligations seems to have followed the surface trend away from a democratic and representative form of government. It would seem, therefore, that world peace through international agreements is safest in the hands of the democratic and representative governments—in other words, peace is more greatly jeopardised in and by those nations where democracy has been discarded or never developed. "I still believe that civilised man, in the long run, will insist upon genuine participation in his own government. Our democracy will be restored or established in those nations which to-day know it not, and in that faith lies the future peace of mankind."

#### HOME AFFAIRS

Turning to home affairs, President Roosevelt detailed the measures at-

tempted to remedy the agricultural situation and defended the Administration's crop control policy. He said it was shameful misrepresentation to call this a policy of scarcity. It was, in truth, insurance before the fact, instead of Government subsidy after the fact.

Dealing with the opposition to the hours and wages legislation, President Roosevelt said that no reasonable person sought to obtain complete uniformity of wages in every part of the United States. All they sought was legislation to end starvation wages and intolerable hours. Legislation dealing with wages and working hours was therefore a problem definitely before Congress for action to be taken. It was an essential part of the economic recovery of the country and had the support of an overwhelming majority of the people.

#### HELPING INCREASE INCOME

"If you increase the purchasing power of the farmer and industrial workers, you will increase the purchasing power of the final third of our nation—those who transport and distribute farm products," declared the President. "There is an urgency which must be met by complete and not partial action. If it is met the total nation's income can still be further increased, and other happy results will flow from such an increase."

"We raised the nation's income from \$38,000,000,000 in 1932 to about \$58,000,000,000 in 1937. Our goal is to raise it to \$90,000,000,000 or \$100,000,000,000. The budget for 1938, which will shortly be sent to Congress, will exhibit a further decrease in the deficit although there will not be a balance between the income and the expenditure."

#### WILL NEVER CONSENT TO DOLE

The President said those who advocate a balanced budget by means of reducing relief for unemployed were people, who at heart, were actually in favour of substituting a dole. President Roosevelt added: "To that neither I, nor, I am confident, the Senators and Representatives in Congress, will ever consent."

President Roosevelt claimed that Government expenditure could not be cut much below \$7,000,000,000 annually without destroying essential function or letting people starve. He added that sum could cheerfully be provided by the American people if the nation's income could be increased to a point beyond the present level.

Referring to the changes in taxation, President Roosevelt emphasised that speculative income should not be favoured over earned income. The objective of increasing the nation's purchasing power pre-supposed co-operation between Capital and Labour. An over-

## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### SWAN, CULBERTSON & FRITZ LATEST REPORTS

New York, Jan. 3. S. C. & F. Dow Jones Summary of yesterday's markets: Business to-day was interrupted owing to expectations of the President's message to Congress, which was construed as favourable, although commitments are being withheld, pending appraisal of the attitude of Congress. There is some apprehension, however, regarding the President's special message referring to law reorganisation. The market was adversely interrupted by the default of the Erie Railway Bonds and the Supreme Court's decision holding that the P.W.A. Power Grant was Constitutional.

Bonds, including Government issues, were irregular. Curb stocks were irregularly higher, but the market was quiet.

S. C. & F. New York correspondent cables: Stocks: The market to-day declined following the President's message, which was personally read in a tone interpreted by many as less conciliatory than early reports had indicated that it would be. The Times business index for the week was 84.7 as against 84.6 last week and 107.1 for the corresponding week of last year.

Cotton: The market is again awaiting farm legislation and some indication of the general Washington attitude towards business. Conditions to-day were very quiet. Forwardings to mills for the week totalled 211,000 bales.

Wheat: The market continues to depend upon exports, which are light at the moment. It is reported that harvesting in the Argentine reveals that the recent reports of damage to the crop there were exaggerated. There has been a visible decrease in supplies of 3,769,000 bushels.

Corn: Exports are light, but, combined with domestic demand, manage to absorb receipts. There has been a visible increase in supplies of 1,918,000 bushels. Rubber: Weak primary markets and dealers' hedge-sales are depressing influences. It is reported that mail-order houses are reducing their tire prices.

Sugar: The market is quiet, but prices are firm.

Wall Street Journal Morning comment: Most forecasters expect a business upturn by July, with the outlook for the last half of the year in most industries brighter than in 1937.

Brokers reported that there has been much switching from motor and rail stocks into steel and airplane-manufacturing shares. Brokers predict further investment in utility securities when the Administration's attitude towards industry is clarified this year.

The Street is not expecting much of a stock market trend this week. Dow Jones Averages Dec. 31 Close  
30 Industrials ..... 120.85  
20 Rails ..... 29.46  
20 Utilities ..... 26.40  
40 Bonds ..... 93.00  
11 Commodity Index 52.04  
\* correct.

## EXCHANGE RATES

	Dec. 30.	Jan. 3.
Paris.....	147.9/32	147.19/64
Geneva.....	21.01 1/2	21.02 1/2
Berlin.....	12.41	12.43 1/4
Athens.....	574 1/2	574 1/2
Milan.....	95	95 1/2
Copenhagen.....	22.40	22.40
Stockholm.....	19.00	19.00
Helsingfors.....	226 1/2	226 1/2
Shanghai.....	1/2 1/2	1/2 1/2
New York.....	4.00 1/4	5.00 1/2
Vienna.....	20 1/2	20 1/2
Amsterdam.....	8.08 1/4	8.08 1/4
Prague.....	142 1/2	142 1/2
Madrid.....	110 1/2	110 1/2
Lisbon.....	110 1/2	110 1/2
Hongkong.....	1/3	1/3
Bombay.....	1/6 1/4	1/6 1/4
Montreal.....	5.00 1/4	5.01 1/2
Brussels.....	29.47	29.49 1/2
Yokohama.....	1/2	1/2
Belgrade.....	216	216
Montevideo.....	25 1/4	25 1/4
Rio de Janeiro.....	2 1/2	2 1/2
Silver (Spot).....	18 1/2	19 1/4
Silver (forward).....	18 1/2	19 1/4
War Loan.....	101 1/2	107 1/2

—British Wireless.

whelming majority of businessmen and bankers intended to be good citizens and only a small minority had displayed poor citizenship by engaging in practices which were dishonest and definitely harmful to society.

#### LABOUR DIFFERENCES HARMFUL

Turning to Labour, President Roosevelt said the unfortunate divisions relating to jurisdiction among the workers themselves had retarded production in certain industries, and he recommended the immediate desirability of increasing the wages of the lowest paid groups over a period of a whole year, rather than in terms of remuneration per hour per day.

President Roosevelt concluded with a strong plea for co-operation by both Capital and Labour with the Government, "not because of pledges to party programmes alone, but chiefly because of a need of national unity in ending the mistakes of the past and meeting the necessities of to-day, we must carry on. I do not propose to let the people down. I am sure the Congress of the United States will not let the people down."

## U.S. COMMODITY PRICES

### LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

New York, Dec. 3. The following quotations on the New York commodity exchange are issued by Reuters:

	Opening	Closing
January.....	8.23/23	8.21/21
March.....	8.30/30	8.28/28
May.....	8.37/37	8.35/35
July.....	8.45/44	8.30/41
October.....	8.48/48	8.45/45
December.....	8.51/51	8.50/51
Spot.....		8.38

	Opening	Closing
March.....	14.40/41	14.19/21
May.....	14.45/41	14.31/32
July.....	14.54/52	14.62/43
September.....	14.63/63	14.52 N
December.....		14.67 N

Sales for the day:—2,870 tons.

	Opening	Closing
Chicago Wheat.....	90 1/2/00	90 1/2/00 1/2
July.....	84 1/4/84 1/2	85 1/2/85

Friday's Sales:—14,503,000 bushels.

	Opening	Closing
Chicago Corn.....	62 /61 1/2	61 1/4/61 1/2
July.....	61 1/4/61 1/2	60 1/2/60 1/2

	Opening	Closing
Winnipeg Wheat.....	118 1/2/119 1/4	120 1/2/120 3/4
July.....		111 1/2/111 3/4

## SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning:

#### Banks

H.K. Banks, \$1,445 b.
H.K. Banks, (Lon. Reg.), £88 n.
Chartered Bank, £12 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B. £32 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, C., £15 n.
East Asia Bank, \$50 n.

#### Insurances

Canton Ins., \$270 n.
Union Ins., \$510 n.
China Underwriters, \$150 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$235 n.

#### Shipping

Douglas, \$40 1/2 b.
H.K. Steamboats, \$8.20 b.
Indo-China (Prof.), \$51 n.
Indo-China (Def.), \$43 n.
Shell Bearer, 98/10 1/2 n.
Union Waterboats, \$9.30 n.

#### Docks etc.

H.K. & W. Wharves, \$113 n.
H.K. & W. Docks, \$28 n.
Providents (old), \$1.05 b.
Providents (new), 15 cts. b.
New Engineering, Sh.—
Shanghai Docks, Sh.—
Kailan Mining Adm. 10/6 n.
Rauhs, \$7.30 b.
Venz, Goldfield, \$5 n.
Hongkong Mines 13 cts. s.

#### Philippine Mining

Antunok, P., 49 n.
Atoks, P., 17 1/2 n.
Baguio Gold, P., 16 n.
Benguet Consol., P., 8.80 n.
Benguet Expior., P.—
Big Wedge, P.—
Coco Grove, P., 38 1/2 n.
Consolidated Mines, P., 611 n.
Demonstrations, P., 33 1/2 n.
E. Mindanao, P.—
Gumaus G'fields, P.—
Ipu Gold, P.—
I.L.L., P., 60 n.
Ilogons, P.—
Mosabue Consola., P.—
Min. Resources, P.—
Northern Min., P.—
Paracale Gumaus, P., 16 n.
Salacot Mining, P.—
San Mauricio, P., 45 n.
Suyoc Consol., 14 1/2 n. Ex. Div.
United Resources, P., 41 1/2 n.

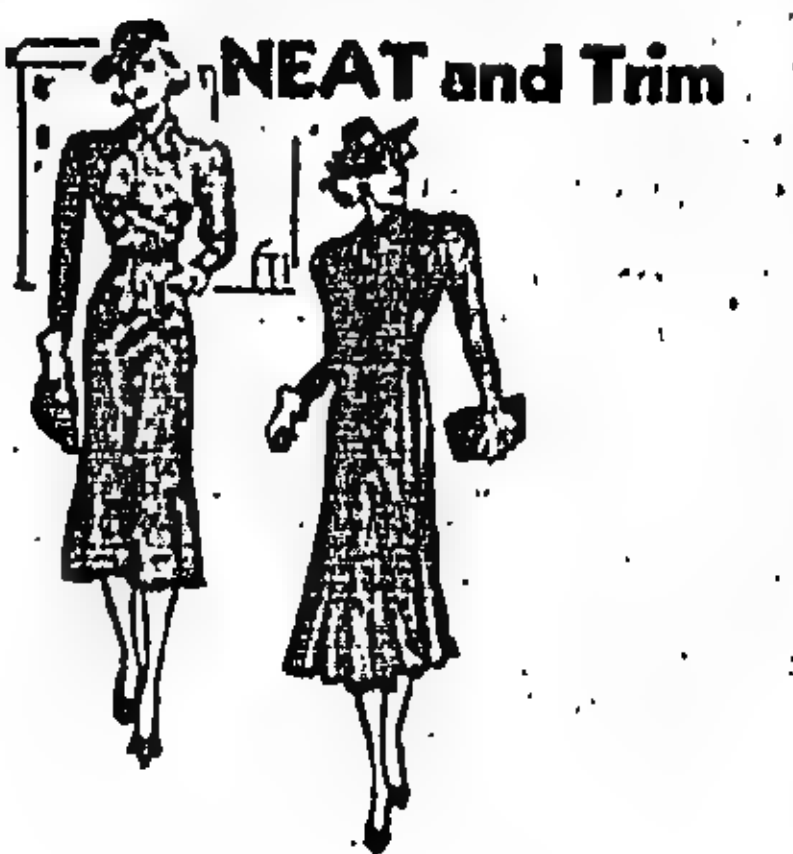
#### Lands, Hotels, etc.

H. & S. Hotels, \$5.05 b.
H.K. Lands, \$30 1/4 b.
H.K. Lands, 4% Deben, \$100 n.
Shal Lands, Sh.—
Metropolitan Lands, Sh.—
Humphries, \$8.10 b. and sa.
H.K. Realities, \$4 1/2 n.
China Estates, \$80 n.
China Realities, Sh.—
China Deben, —
Public Utilities
H.K. Tramways, \$13 1/4 b.
Peak Trams (old), \$7 1/2 n.
Peak Trams (new), \$3 1/2 n.
Sin Fong, \$70 b.
Yammat Ferries (old), \$24 1/2 n.
China Light (old), \$10.10 b.
China Light (new), \$7 b.
H.K. Electric, \$50 1/4 b.
Macao Electric, 19 1/4 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$14 1/2 n.
Telephone (old), \$25 1/2 b.
Telephone (new), \$8 1/4 b.
China Buses, Sh.—
Singapore Traction, 23/0 n.
Singapore Pref., 23/- n.

#### Industrials

Cald, Mack, (old), Sh.—
Cald, Mack, (Pref.), Sh.—
Canton Ices, \$1.70 n.
Cement., \$12.00 b.
H.K. Ropes, \$3.00 n.
Stores, &c.
Dairy Farm, \$23 1/4 b.
Watsons, \$4.00 b.
Lane Crawford, \$8.00 n.
Sinceres, \$1.75 n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$40 n.
Wm. Powells, 75 cts. n.
Cotton Mills
Ewo Cottons Sh., \$12 n.
Shal Cottons (old), Sh., \$55 n.
Zoong Singa, Sh.—
Wing On Textiles, Sh.—
Miscellaneous
H.K. Entertainments, \$5.20 b.
Constructions (old), \$1 1/4 b.
Constructions (new), \$1 b.
Vibro Piling, \$8 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1915 G.S.Dds. 74% n.
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan 87% prm. n.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan 1 1/2% prm. b. and sa.
Wallace Harpers, 3 1/4 b.
Maramans Ins. (Lon.), 10/- 10/3 n.
Maramans Inv. (H.K.), 10/- 4/0 n.

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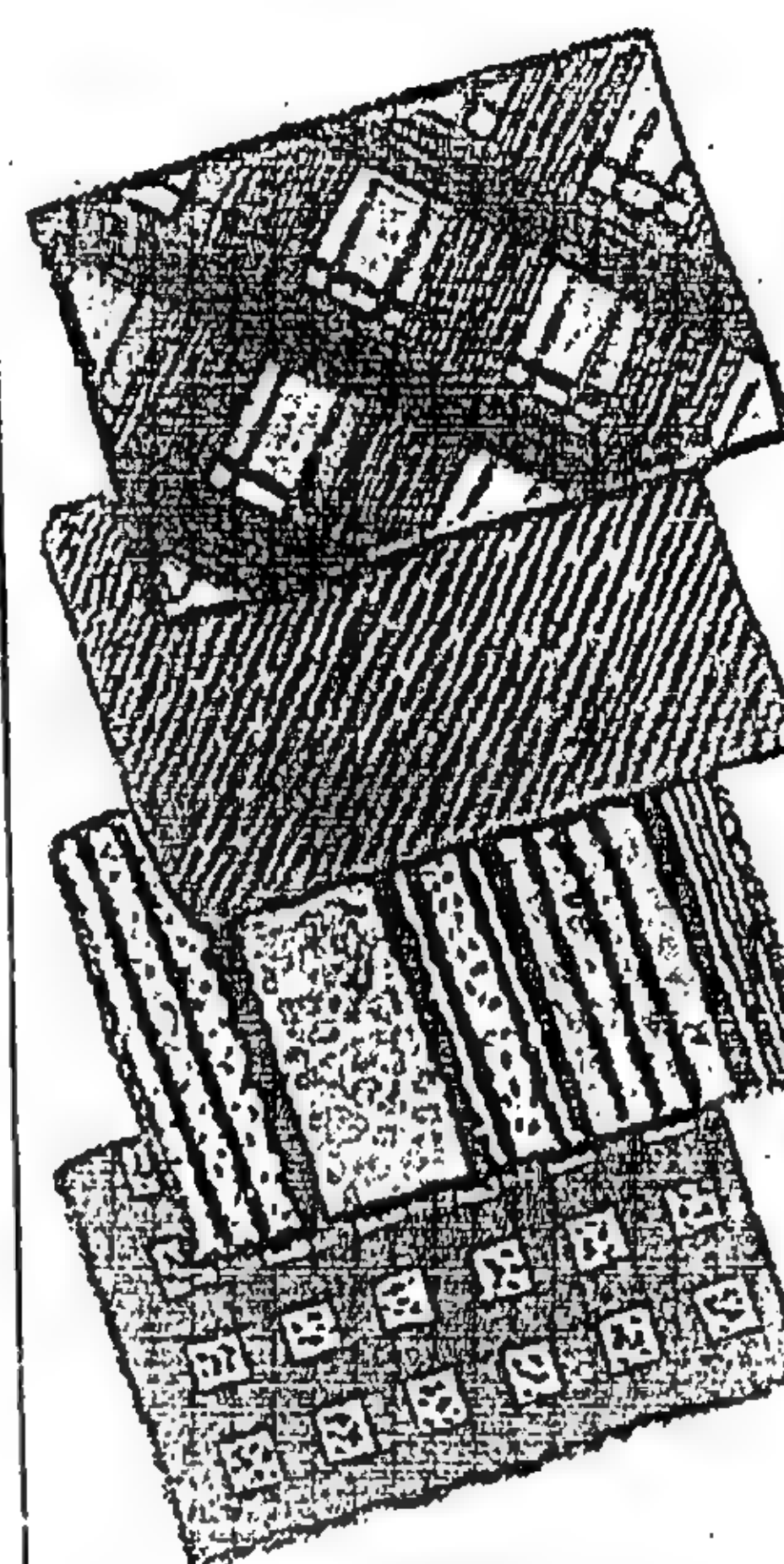
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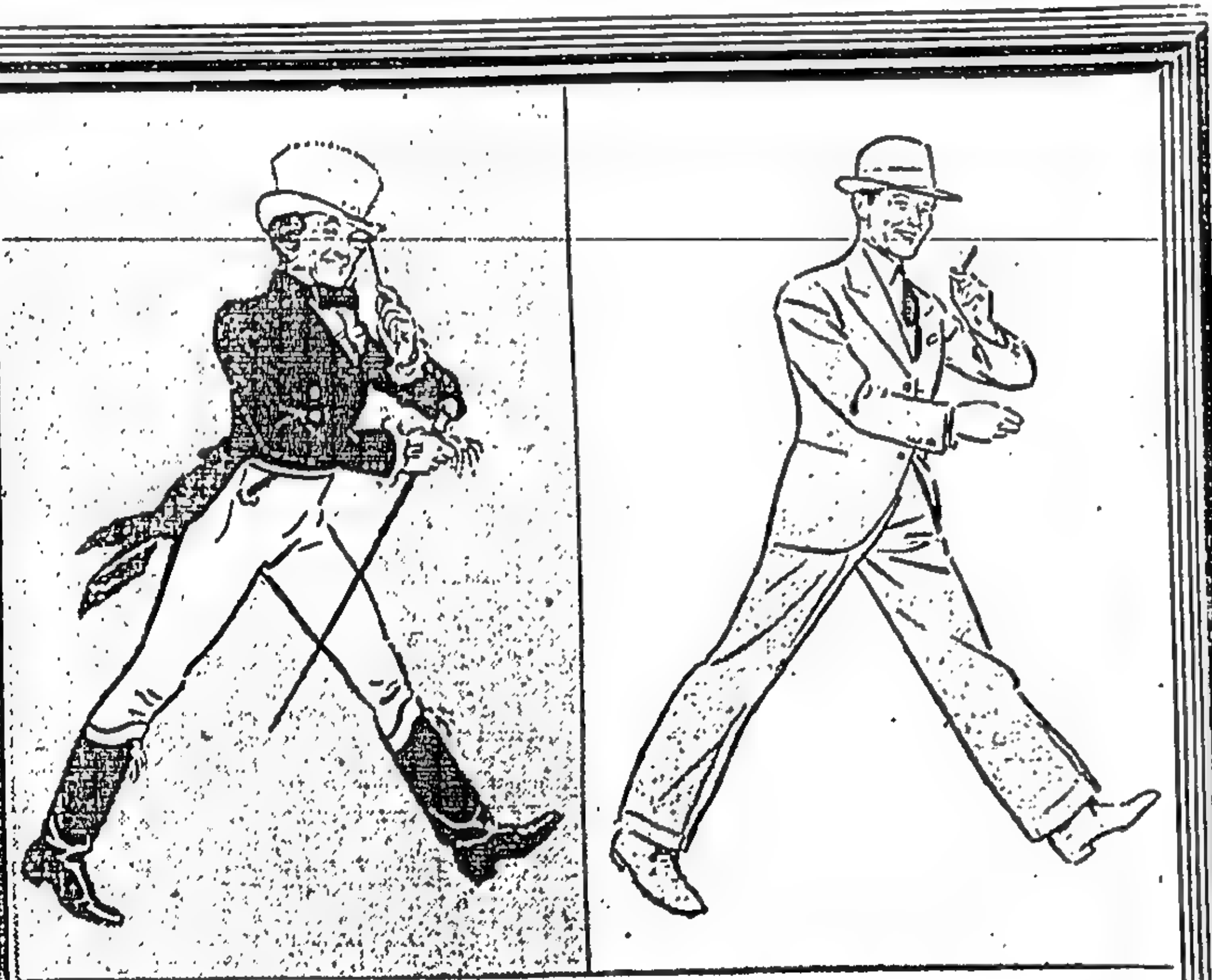
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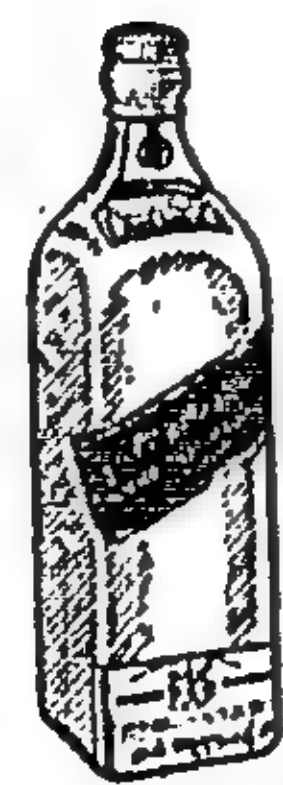


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## BBC TALKS IN ARABIC ACCURATE AND IMPARTIAL NEWS

London, Jan. 3.  
The broadcasting of British news in foreign languages in accordance with Government announcements on October 20 and November 1, was inaugurated with a programme in Arabic emitted by the B.B.C. to-night, which was largely contributed to by Near Eastern potentates.  
Those present included Lord Lloyd, Sir Findlater Stewart, Sir Percy Sykes, high officials of the Colonial Office and leading Near East business heads.  
Messages of greeting were delivered by Prince Hussain of Yemen, who presented his deepest respects to "My lord the King now listening at his palace at Sanna," and also by other speakers.  
Western music was rendered by a lady violinist, together with Arabic gramophone music. The moment of high interest was at 6 p.m. when the chiming of Big Ben was broadcast. Henceforth this will be a daily feature.—*Reuter's Special.*

### ACCURATE AND IMPARTIAL NEWS PROMISED

London, Jan. 3.  
For the first time Arabic-speaking peoples of the Near East this evening heard a programme broadcast in Arabic from London. After music and announcements, messages of greeting were read by representatives of the Arabic-speaking peoples. Prince Saif ul Islam Al Hussain of Yemen said the broadcast was a new step in the propagation of the Arabic language, and marked a new era in a development which they hoped would be continuous. He wished success to everything that conducted to the promotion of friendly understanding between Great Britain and all the Arabic-speaking world.  
The Charge d'Affaires of the Egyptian Embassy gave expression to a similar sentiment and said it was his firm belief the project of broadcasting in the Arabic language would bear good fruit. Speeches followed by the Minister for Saudi Arabia and the Minister for Iraq.  
Broadcasting the news bulletin, Sir John Reith said bulletins in Arabic would follow the 15 years established traditions of the B.B.C. news in English. They would summarise world events of particular interest to Arab listeners. They would be accurate and impartial. To-night's news bulletin contained items from Cairo, the Persian Gulf, London, Palestine, Spain and the Far East.—*British Wireless.*

## 12 Deaths Daily From Tuberculosis

Deaths from tuberculosis have shown a noticeable upward trend, 82 deaths being reported for the week ending January 1 or an average of 12 every day.  
After being free for some time from cholera a further case was notified to the Medical Department last week. The case, a Chinese, occurred on the island.  
More than half of the eleven cases of dysentery reported last week proved fatal. There were six cases on the island, four cases in Kowloon and one in rural areas.  
Twenty-one deaths were reported during the week from notifiable diseases. Five of eight cases of small-pox reported proved fatal, and three of seven cases of diphtheria likewise ended in death. Typhoid claimed two victims and meningitis four. There was one case of measles which was not fatal.  
During the 24 hours ended midnight last night five further cases of dysentery (all on the island) and five cases of small-pox were reported to the health authorities.

## New British Governor For Berar Areas

London, Jan. 3.  
Sir Hyde Gowan, having expressed the desire, for domestic reasons, to be relieved in the Spring of 1938, the King has accepted his resignation as from May 27, 1938, and approved the appointment of Mr. F. V. Wylie, at present in Jaipur, to be Governor of the central provinces of Berar, succeeding Sir Hyde Gowan. In accordance with Article Four of the Berar Agreement, this appointment has been made after consultation with the Nizam of Hyderabad and Berar.—*British Wireless.*

## Weather May Improve

Although to-day's meteorological report, issued by the Royal Observatory at 10 a.m., predicts cloudy, drizzly weather, there is a possibility that conditions will improve shortly.  
Temperature at 10 a.m. was 60 degrees, compared with 66 degrees at 10 a.m. yesterday. Humidity, however, was four per cent. higher than yesterday, and 12 degrees higher than the corresponding period last week.  
The official forecast is: "Fresh north-easterly winds; cloudy with drizzle probably improving."

## YACHTSMEN RETURN TO COLONY

Heard Rifle Shots  
On Wangcum But  
Trip was Pleasant

Messrs. A. G. Hargreave, A. D. Coppin and J. R. Johnson, whose yacht was reported to have been fired on by snipers on Wangcum Island while they were sailing from Macao to Hongkong on Saturday, have returned here safely.  
In a telephone conversation with a representative of the Telegraph this morning, Mr. Coppin said they arrived back about 4 p.m. yesterday. As to the reported incident, Mr. Coppin said he did not really know what happened, apart from the yacht having engine trouble. "It was actually a pleasant trip and there is nothing of interest, really," he added.  
According to earlier reports, Mr. Coppin and his companions were passing the island which was last week occupied by Japanese marines, about 4.30 p.m. on New Year's Day when rifle shots were heard. The yacht was hit and the engine put out of action.  
The party then sailed the craft out of range as quickly as possible and made for Tai-O, where the Police were informed and an attempt made to remedy the engine defect.  
The yacht is owned by Mr. Hargreave, of the Imperial Chemical Industries.

## Dorsetshire's Home Bound List Issued

Troops For S'pore,  
India, Palestine

When the transport Dorsetshire, due here on January 5, leaves on her homeward trip one week later, she will have numerous personnel on board, including 111 Royal Ulster Rifles, bound for Palestine and 110 Seaforth Highlanders returning to the United Kingdom.  
These form the largest contingents aboard, the complete passenger list being made up as under.

### TO SINGAPORE

Rev. M. A. Farren, M.A., Assistant Chaplain General for Far East.  
R.A.M.C.—Captain C. W. Malsey, Capt. D. P. Stevenson, and 18 details.

Royal Air Force.—Flight-Lieut. and Mrs. T. U. C. Shirley, W. O. H. M. King, Sergt. J. E. M. MacCallum; 11 first class and 12 other indulgence passages on round trip from Malaya.

### TO INDIA

1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles.—Capt. and Mrs. F. G. Balfour, Capt. G. S. Frieze, Lieut. C. Lincoln, c.q.m.s., and Mrs. F. Hynds, Bdsman and Mrs. W. McCarthy, and ten details.  
Q.A.I.M.N.S.—Sisters Miss M. A. Mescall and Miss E. M. Walsh.  
1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles.—111 details.

### TO PALESTINE

1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles.—111 details.  
I.A.C.C.—Wife of Sergt. Walling and sister.

### TO UNITED KINGDOM

1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers.—2/Lieut. J. E. L. Willis.  
R.A.S.C.—two details.  
8th Heavy Bde, R.A.—Lieut. J. T. Marsh and ten details.  
5th Heavy Bde, R.A.—13 details.  
Fortress R.E.—Capt. and Mrs. C. M. Singer, Capt. and Mrs. D. M. Eley, s.c.s., J. Faro and F. Smyth, c.q.m.s., L. Hayden, W. Warren and wives, S/Sergt. and Mrs. E. Isley, and 13 details.

Hongkong Bde, H.K. & S.R.A.—c.q.m.s. and Mrs. A. Glasspool.  
2nd Bn. Royal Welch Fusiliers.—20 details.

1st Bn. Middlesex Regiment.—Capt. and Mrs. M. Crawford, 11 details.  
1st Bn. Seaforth Highlanders.—110 details.

1st Bn. Royal Ulster Rifles.—R.A.M. and Mrs. C. Henniker, Rfn and Mrs. Henry.

R.A.M.C.—Major and Mrs. J. D. Corner, Capt. H. N. Walker, Pte. and Mrs. Munt.

R.A.O.C.—c.q.m.s. and Mrs. J. Davies, detail.  
R.A.P.C.—Major and Mrs. R. H. Smyth, Capt. and Mrs. R. L. Ingpen.

Army Educational Corps.—Capt. and Mrs. G. W. K. Klmm.  
Q.A.I.M.N.S.—Sisters Miss E. Moubrey and Miss G. A. Seeley.

Royal Air Force.—five details.  
Royal Navy.—11 details and miscellaneous passengers.

Miscellaneous passengers.—Lieut. R. L. Carruth, 1st Bn. Lancashire Fusiliers; wife of Lieut.-Col. Tidbury, Middlesex Regiment; sister of Lieut. Winkfield, Miss B. M. Howell, c.q.m.s., and Mrs. Dalchin and others.

## FOG-BOUND SHIPPING ON THE CLYDE

London, Jan. 3.  
For the second day in succession, fog interfered with the movement of shipping on the Clyde to-day. Clydebank was the coldest spot in the country, 13 degrees of frost being registered. Snow fell in and around London this afternoon.—*British Wireless.*

## STOLE PETROL FROM ROLLERS

GOVERNMENT FUEL  
SOLD TO WOMAN

Two motor roller drivers employed by the Public Works Department were sentenced to terms of imprisonment at the Central Magistracy this morning when they appeared before Mr. Forrest charged with the theft of 22 gallons of Government petrol. They were Cheung Kwai, 56, and Kwok Chun, 38. A married woman, Yip Fung, 25, was charged with receiving eight gallons of the petrol, while a lorry driver, Yeung Chiu, was charged with receiving 14 gallons.

The first three defendants admitted the charges against them, but Yeung denied receiving, and he was discharged. The prosecuting officer said he stopped lorry No. 3640 at the junction of Gloucester and Stewart Roads on Sunday evening. Yeung was driving the vehicle, and on the sergeant making an inspection 14 gallons of Government petrol were found. Yeung informed the police that the woman had more petrol in her house, and on the police visiting the premises, a further eight gallons were discovered. Later, on information received, the two motor roller drivers were arrested.

Thief of Government petrol had been going on for some time, added the sergeant, and the stolen petrol had been bought by the woman's husband at 65 cents a gallon, but he could not be found. The petrol had been taken from the steam rollers. Cheung was paid wages of \$42 per month, while Kwok was paid on a daily rate. Both men would lose their jobs as a consequence of the prosecution.

Mr. E. P. Fletcher, engineer of the P.W.D., said it was difficult to say how much petrol had been stolen, as it had been taken from time to time in small quantities. Cheung and Kwok were sentenced to three months' hard labour each, and the woman was fined \$100.

## Right Side Wrong Side; Court-Side

A private motor car driver, Mr. Lai Fat, was summoned before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistracy this morning for failing to keep to the left of the road when driving private car No. 4407 at Garden Road on December 12.  
Traffic-Sergeant L. C. Pennell said Mr. Lai was driving up Garden Road behind three other cars when he pulled out to the right to overtake them, and continued up Garden Road on the wrong side. He passed a bus further up, and at one time was in between two other cars, one going up and the other down the road. He managed to pull back to his own side just before reaching the traffic policeman at the junction of Garden and Lower Albert Roads. His speed, the sergeant estimated, was about 34 miles per hour.  
A fine of \$10 was imposed.

Miss N. E. Elliot, of St. Stephen's Hall, was fined \$2 for leaving her motor car in the two-hour limit on park for over the two-hour limit on December 20. A fine of \$3 was imposed on Mr. H. Bauligh Jew for failing to have a front light on his vehicle at Fenwick Street at 10.30 p.m. on December 18.

## CHINHAI BOOM STILL OPEN

Shanghai, Jan. 4.  
The Chinhai boom at the mouth of the Yang River leading to Ningpo has not yet been closed, contrary to previous reports, which now add that the boom remains open as a result of representations made to the Chinese authorities by a group of Ningpo merchants.  
Ningpo has been an important source of food supply for Shanghai since the beginning of hostilities, especially of meat, fish and fruits.  
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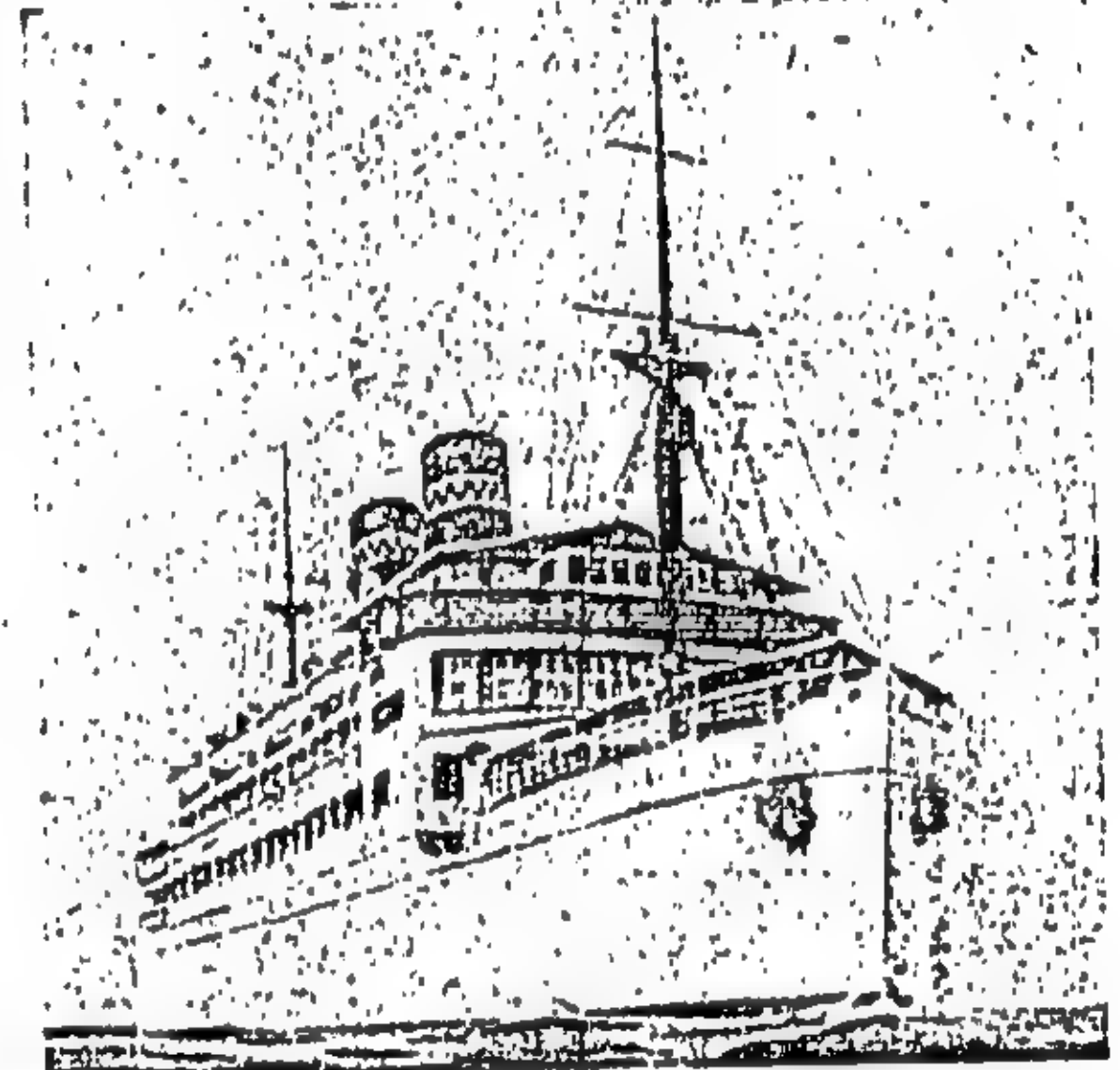
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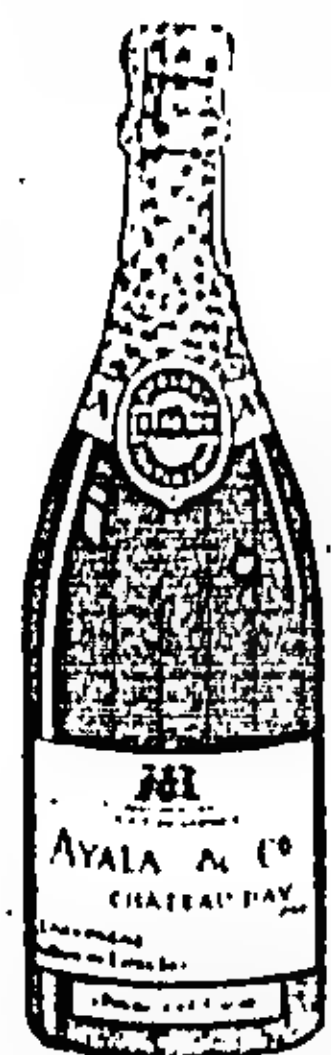
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## DEATH

HENRY.—At St. Blasien, Black  
Forest, on December 31, 1937,  
Eileen Joyce, beloved wife of J.  
E. Henry and younger daughter  
of Geo. P. Lammert, aged 28  
years. (Shanghai papers please  
copy).The  
Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4, 1938.

IN SEARCH  
OF PEACE

Notification in the latest Government Gazette that certain extraordinary regulations for Hongkong have been revived, giving the Governor-in-Council very wide powers, and other authorities all necessary freedom in meeting or counter-acting any emergency, must not be taken as indicating that the Far East crisis as it affects Hongkong is any more pressing than it was a week or a month, or, for that matter, six months ago. Details of these regulations are published in this newspaper to-day. The moment that Japanese and Chinese troops exchanged shots in North China last summer, the moment national feeling was aroused, then the necessity for precautions arose in this Colony. The vigilance of the police force and other authorities concerned, the generally well-restrained temper of the crowd and the caution of those who might be thought to dwell in some precariousness here, have been jointly responsible for the maintenance of the peace in Hongkong. The instances where violence has occurred have been few and isolated; and authorities can take pride in the fact. It must be gratifying to everyone to know that the hospitality of this Colony has not been abused, nor the power of the law been called upon to plan more than routine precautions for the safeguarding of foreign nationals and the restraining of the crowd. These new regulations, which were in force during the 1931 trouble, simply provide machinery for increasing the security of the place. They have no other significance.

The fact is that latest developments in the Sino-Japanese political sphere might well be

## IF WAR CAME

Should The  
Pacifist  
Take His  
Life?

PROFESSOR BROAD, of Cambridge, has written in a recent number of the *Hibbert Journal* an article entitled "Should We Fight for Our Country in the Next War?"

At the end of the article he explodes a bombshell. Pacifists, he avows, ought in the next war to commit suicide.

I quote the relevant passage:

"This," i.e., suicide, "is the course which I should recommend to those of them who do not think that there is an overwhelming obligation not to take one's own life."

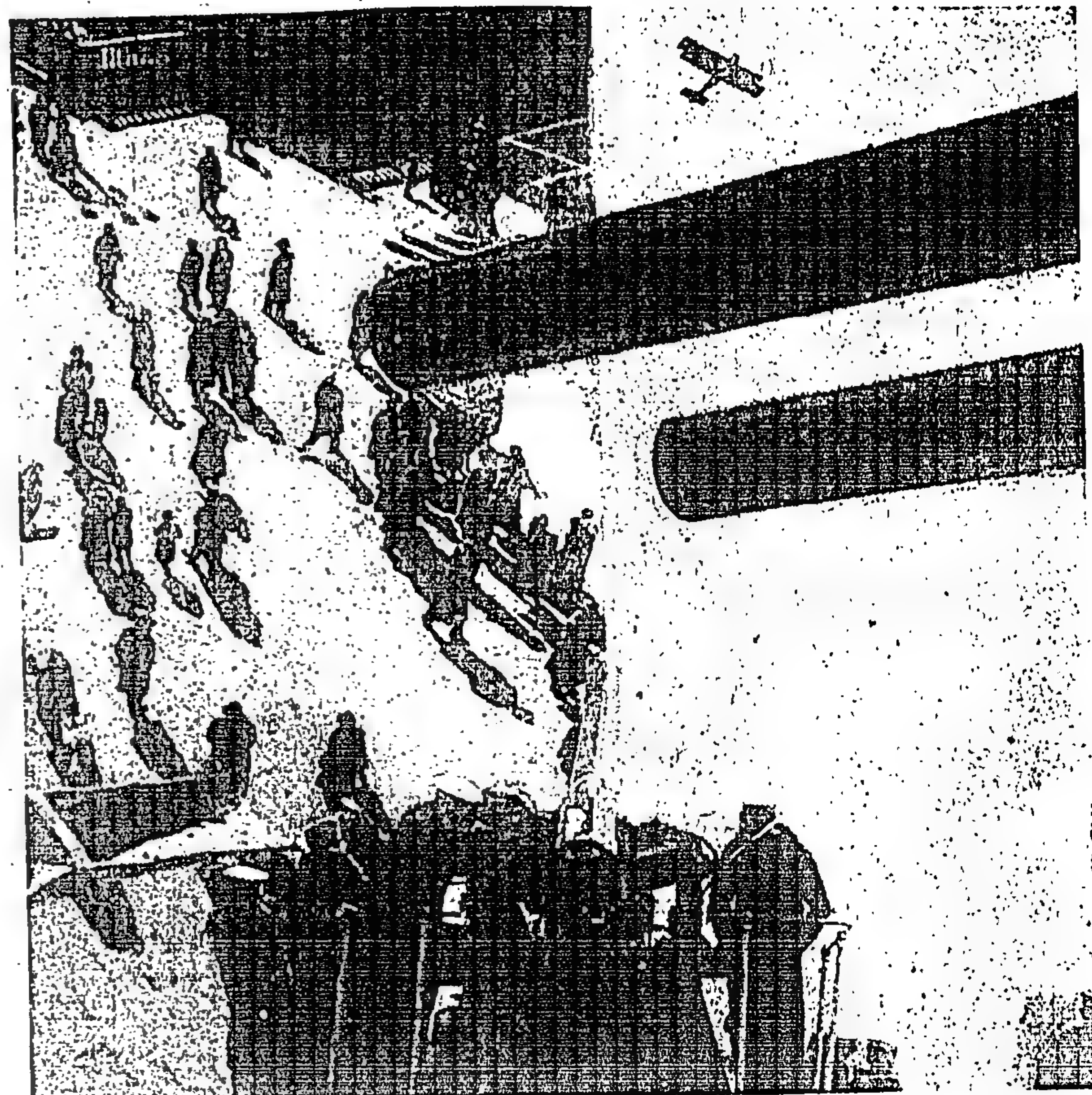
The next life, if there be one, must be had indeed if it is worse than this life will be in time of war, and the gas in your oven, if not less deadly, is far more merciful than that which you will encounter on the battlefield or in the streets of your own town if it should be bombed."

The argument so far is an appeal to prudence; the gas in one's oven is *pleasanter* than the gas of the enemy. But an additional reason is derived from ethics.

"He may suspect," says Professor Broad, "that it is not altogether fitting that his honour should be rooted in the fortunate

calculated to reduce any tension existing in Hongkong. There is talk of peace; well-authenticated stories of conversations between Dr. Oscar Trautmann, the able German diplomat, and Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, in which, it is supposed, the Japanese terms are discussed. Such reports will have the tendency to encourage South China in the belief that it will remain outside the sphere of concentrated war operations such as the North has experienced. It is known that Marshal Chiang has rejected the six-point Japanese peace offer, but that does not mean there will not be compromise. The very fact that Dr. Trautmann is continuing his efforts as mediator proves that there is room for readjustment, and may indicate that there is a will to peace on both sides. It would not be unnatural. China has suffered immensely; but Japan has suffered too. Just how greatly we have no sure means of knowing.

It is certain that the six-point plan, as published by the *Telegraph* recently, could not have been accepted by Marshal Chiang no matter how badly he wanted a truce. It would have cost him his reputation and the trust of the country which his leadership has inspired. It is safe to say he never even considered surrender: for on those terms surrender it would have been indeed. What must be disclosed at the Chiang-Trautmann conference is a knowledge of the best terms Japan can offer, and the worst terms China will accept. Somewhere between them lies compromise—and peace—which may be permanent.



By Professor C. E. M. Joad

*THE distinguished pacifist, who inaugurated the Oxford "Won't Fight" motion, here attacks the view recently expressed by the Cambridge philosopher, Professor Broad, that pacifists should commit suicide in the event of war.*

dis honour of most of his contemporaries." The conclusion seems to be totally wrong-headed, and the arguments by which it is supported fallacious.

WHEN a war comes, a pacifist owes two duties—a duty to society and a duty to himself. His duty to society is, in the first place, to use whatever influence he possesses to bring the war to an end at the earliest possible moment.

No good thing, he holds, can ever come of violence: there is, then, no benefit which his country can possibly derive from prolonging the war. Yet prolonged it will undoubtedly be.

For example, many good judges hold the view that the last war could have ended in 1917 as a draw. Such a result would have been infinitely more conducive to the happiness of mankind than the dictated peace of Versailles, the object of which seems to have been to commit a crime which each of the victorious Allies had an equal interest in committing, and the result of which has been a legacy of hatred and unrest which has kept Europe on tenterhooks for 18 years, led to the resurgence of Nazi Germany, and brought us to the verge of another war.

The least evil thing that war can do is to produce a conviction in all the belligerents that war can do no good thing. Now this conviction is most likely to be born of a draw.

SECONDLY, the pacifist must seek to mitigate the ferocity of the terms of peace.

Just as he objects to war because he does not believe that the best way to demonstrate the rightness of one's cause in a quarrel is to kill off as many of the opposite side as one can, so he objects to the peace terms which a so-called successful war enables the victor to dictate, because he does not believe that the one's superior virtue is to hit a man when he is down.

Yet this is precisely what victors have invariably done.

In the third place, it is the pacifist's duty to keep alive the torch of his own beliefs. He is by hypothesis a man of strong

convictions. He holds in opposition to most of his fellow citizens that war between nations is always wrong, and should, at all costs, be avoided. Very well, then, he must also hold that it is good that as many people as possible who hold this view should continue to exist. They should continue to exist in order to preserve the tradition of sanity and reason amid the mass hysteria which war invariably produces.

To the man who keeps his head in wartime it cannot but seem that most of his fellow citizens have taken leave of their senses.

In the last war it was declared by respectable organs of opinion and believed by otherwise reasonable persons that the Germans were fiends who tortured babies and made meals out of the corpses of their dead; noble lords, discovering that they were inadvertently dining off plates made in Germany, dashed them indignantly to the ground, while clergymen clamoured for the annihilation of enemy countries, and announced that "all appeals to religious feeling in favour of peace will be suspected of German origin."

Is it unreasonable to demand that, amid such an orgy of beligerent hysteria, such a fierce feast of unreason, somebody should keep a cool head and a respect for the truth.

Secondly, he must be at hand when the war is over, to make the most of the inevitable reaction.

It is something of an historical accident—one of the most tragic in the history of mankind—that the end of the last war did not lay the foundation of a

new international order. For a time the floods of idealism ran high; men were sick of war and crying "Never again!" were in a mood to set up machinery to make the repetition impossible. The mood has evaporated, but it may recur. It is indeed doubtful whether civilisation will survive the next war, but, if it does, mankind cannot afford to miss the tide of the next peace. It is the business of the pacifist to be at hand to ensure that it is caught.

Finally, the pacifist has a duty to himself. He sees a world which to his thinking has temporarily gone mad. Is that any reason why he should follow its example? He sees his countrymen consumed by hate and fear, straining every nerve to deprive of their lives other men whom they have never seen and with whom they have no quarrel.

Is that any reason why he should deprive himself of his own? A man has a right to live, and the fact that his fellow-men are denying that right to one another is no reason why he should deny it to himself.

As to the argument that the pacifist's safety is purchased by what Professor Broad calls "the fortunate dishonour" of his countrymen, it leaves my withers completely unwrung. I neither ask nor expect anyone to fight for me. I only wish they wouldn't.

FOR it is the existence of armaments and of men's willingness to use them in his alleged defence which, in the pacifist's view, has placed the safety of all of us in jeopardy. If, wishing to die in my bed, I were given before birth my choice of countries into which to be born, I should choose a small undefended country like Norway or Denmark, where I should be comparatively secure just because I should not be "protected."

Believing that there is no safety in arms, pacifists have advocated disarmament, if necessary by example, ever since the end of the last war. Should another war come, it will be because of the nations' persistent disregard of their counsel.

It is a little hard that we should now be told that our safety will only be ensured by the willingness of others to fight for us, when in our view it is precisely this willingness that endangers it.

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# 24-Year-Old Elopes With Grandmother Aged 75

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They eloped after a fortnight's courtship and have just returned to settle down on the small farm rented by the bride. When it was suggested to the bride that the marriage was hardly ideal, she answered:

"Shucks. I've got two grandchildren older than Bill, so don't tell me I don't understand kids of his age."

Adjusting her steel-rimmed spectacles, Mrs. Duvall added, "My first husband died seventeen years ago. But now Bill's brought all my happiness back."

She ran her guarded fingers through Bill's hair. "He wants me to live with him in the big city, but I tell him we'll stay right here."

Said William: "I've wooed and won her and I'm staying with her. Whatever the world may say."

Mrs. Moffett, the bride's daughter, said "William pulled court to her for two weeks, then they married. I wish them every happiness."

## Half Of Britain Is Underfed

### PROFESSOR LELEAN'S VIEWS

"Half the population of the country is inadequately fed. An average wage of 22 10s is bedrock wage for a standard family."

This was stated by Professor P. S. Lelean when he addressed the third and last public lecture of a series in "Dietetics" in the Usher Institute of Public Health, Edinburgh, recently.

The lecture was held under the auspices of the Joint Committee of the National Council of Women, Edinburgh branch, and the Edinburgh Women Citizens' Association. Professor Lelean took as his theme the General Medical Council's statement in 1917, that, out of 2½ million men of military age, in every nine, three were fit, two were on an infirm plan of health, three were physical wrecks, and the remaining one a chronic invalid.

Scientific experiments during the war led to the knowledge of the needs of growing boy recruits, and many diagrams were shown by Professor Lelean.

The standard laid down by the League of Nations Committee on Nutrition, 1937, was studied, and this showed that one twelve to fifteen years-old young person required as much food as the father, and the nursing mother required twice as much in proteins as the father.

It was also indicated that the modern diet for a fourteen-year-old young person is as much as an adult, and the average adult, in terms of money this would be 5s. 6d. weekly, plus 2s. 6d. for supplementary food.

Professor Lelean said that no child can be fed on less than 3s. 6d. per week, thus half the cost of feeding an adult, and the average wage of 22 10s was bedrock wage for a standard family, and that in the present unemployment scales, the lay-out for healthy living was inadequate for the standard family of wife, father, and two children.

Half the population of the country was inadequately fed, and the food was deficient in proteins.

Mrs. R. K. Hannay proposed the vote of thanks.

## Dietrich Will Quit U.S.A.

### One More Picture

New York. Marlene Dietrich has decided to leave America. She will make one more picture in Hollywood—"French Without Tears"—then her long contract with Paramount expires. She issued this news from her hotel suite in New York on her return from holiday-making in Europe. Dietrich in "French Without Tears" has been cast for the first time in her career for the part of a woman whose charms prove less entrancing than those of the Other Woman.

## A HAPPY GROUP AT THE WATER POLICE STATION



## Bermuda Babies: Startling Plan to Reduce Births

By A Political Correspondent

An extraordinary suggestion that the Government of Bermuda may be considering a Bill to sterilise the parents of illegitimate children is contained in a question which Mr. David Adams (Lab., Consett) put to the Colonial Secretary in the House of Commons recently.

Mr. Adams's question appeared on the House of Commons order paper in the following terms:

To ask the Secretary of State for the Colonies:

"Whether his attention has been drawn to the report of the Select Committee on Unemployment in Bermuda, which has recommended as a remedy for the excessive population the compulsory sterilisation of certain categories of persons, including the fathers of one illegitimate child and the mothers of two illegitimate children;

"Whether any one of the proposals has been incorporated in the Bill presented by the Governor of Bermuda to the Legislative Council; and

"Whether His Majesty's Government regards there as a satisfactory solution of the problem of unemployment in Bermuda."

The committee mentioned by Mr. Adams must be a Bermudean committee, for I have been unable to trace any such committee in this country.

But if it has actually made the sterilisation suggestion—Mr. Adams is relying for his information on an article in a British Honduras newspaper, "Belice Independent," June 30, 1937, and wants to have it confirmed or denied officially—the position is serious.

TO REDUCE POPULATION

He showed me the article. It begins:

"The Governor of Bermuda has presented a Bill before the Legislative Council of that island outlining measures for compulsory sterilisation of the negro population on the model of Nazi Germany."

A Select Committee appointed on February 5, 1935, to consider and report on the existing state of unemployment in Bermuda and to recommend what steps should be taken to alleviate such conditions have found one answer: Too many babies.

The article adds that the committee recommended voluntary sterilisation

for anybody, but compulsory sterilisation for the parents of illegitimate children.

The last Colonial Office Report on Bermuda (1936) stated that the illegitimacy rate was 20 per cent. (4.8 per 1,000 white and 25.9 coloured); the living birth rate amongst the civilian population was 24.2 per 1,000, being 17.2 amongst the white and 28.7 amongst the coloured population.

## U.S. PLANE WITH SIX CANNON

### STREAM OF SHELLS AT 300 M.P.H.

### BIGGEST FIGHTER YET BUILT

By Major C. C. Turner

The question of equipping aeroplanes with guns firing in. and 1½ in. shells is revived by the experiments in the United States with a new fighter driven by two powerful engines and armed with six guns. Two of the guns are of 37mm. calibre, firing 1½ in. shells, and two are of 50mm. firing 1½ in. shells.

The machine, the Alracuda, has two Allison engines of 1,050 h.p. mounted on either side of a central body, and driving airscrews behind the wings. This is the most powerful "pusher" aeroplane ever built.

It is a five-seater fighter, built by the Bell Aircraft Corporation at Buffalo, and is not only the biggest aeroplane of the "pusher" class, but also the biggest aeroplane designed for offensive action against bomber formations.

A speed of 300 m.p.h. is claimed for it, and a "ceiling" of 30,000 ft. It is not so fast as the latest fighters now being put into production for the British Air Force, nor is its speed quite so great as the new medium bombers.

It has been designed as a counter to big and somewhat slower bombers, but, so far as European air forces are concerned, the present tendency is in favour of fast medium rather than big bombers. The advantage claimed for the aeroplane gun firing shells is the destructive effect of the shells and the great range at which they are effective.

This question has not been neglected in Great Britain, but the general opinion of experts is that owing to the great difficulty of accurate marksmanship in the air, which makes all except close-in fighting practically ineffective, there is little scope for a weapon which cannot make effective use of its distinctive qualities.

The design of the new Alracuda is, however, very interesting and in so far as it exploits the "pusher" principle with two engines, which affords excellent observation and field of fire, its flights and tests will be closely watched.

## Baboons' Hot Seat

London.

A WOMAN has written to Mr. Julian Huxley, the secretary of the London Zoo, complaining that during the past summer the sunshine made the rocks on "Monkey Hill" so hot that many baboons were badly scorched.

She has offered, in time for next summer, to knit protective pants for the baboons.

## With The Hounds In Gibraltar

### Mr. Eden Explains What Governor Said

In the House of Commons recently, Mr. Arthur Henderson (Sec., Kingswinford) asked the Foreign Secretary whether he was in a position to make any statement on the Royal Calpe Hunt, and whether his attention had been called to the statement of the Governor that the future of Gibraltar might be influenced by friendly relations which might be established with the Franco authorities through foxhunting?

Mr. Eden said he was informed that permission to hunt over part of the Spanish territory, where the Royal Calpe Hunt had been wont to hunt for a century, had been obtained from the insurgent military authorities at Algeciras. The Government were not consulted as this was regarded as a purely local affair.

The words used by the Governor of Gibraltar were:

"His Excellency hopes that all who hunt will at all times remember that this is another historical example of sport and sportsmanship rising above bitterness and strife, and that every consideration will be shown to the local population of Spain. It may well be that the relations established this season with our Spanish neighbours will play a very important part not only in the future of the hunt, but the future of Gibraltar."

### BRITONS IN SPAIN

The Government, went on Mr. Eden, saw no reason to disagree with that sentiment. It was clearly undesirable to confine the resident population of Spain within the limits of the colony, and over 1,000 British subjects lived on the Spanish side of the frontier and entered Gibraltar daily.

Residents of Gibraltar were allowed to visit neighbouring Spanish territory at the discretion of the Governor, and of the local insurgent authorities, while other British subjects were subject to the normal strict frontier control.

Mr. Henderson asked if the Foreign Secretary considered the action of the Governor amounted to recognition of General Franco.

Mr. Eden—What the Governor referred to was obviously not the security of Gibraltar, but the amenity of those who lived on the rock.

Col. Wedgwood (Ind., Newcastle-under-Lyme) asked Mr. Eden if he knew that people who worked at the dockyard had to go across the frontier and were fined each time?

Mr. Eden said he was certainly not aware of anything of the kind.

Mr. Mander (Sec., Wolverhampton)—Will the Lord President of the Council be hunting with this pack during the winter?

There was no reply.

Members of the Tsim Sha Tsui Police Station and their families and friends. A yuletide photograph by Mei Cheung.

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Springtime Suite (Eric Coates); "Fresh Morning" (Pastorini); "Noonday Success" (Romance); "Dance In The Twilight" (Valse).

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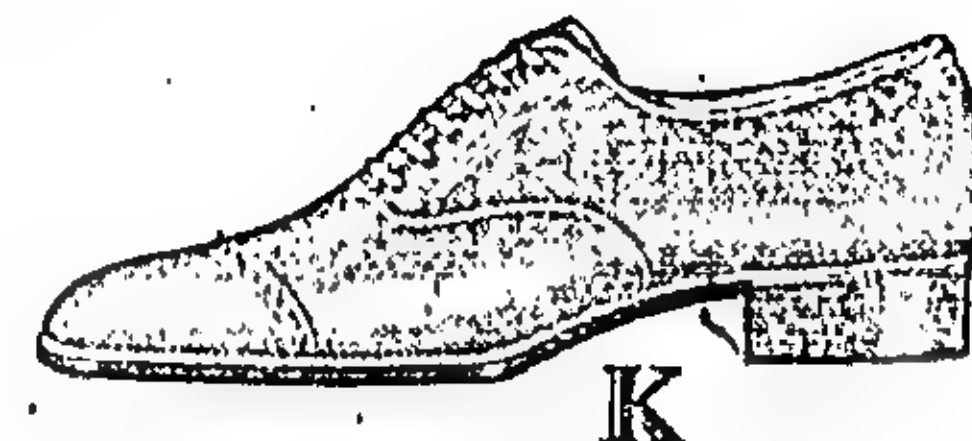
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# CHINESE MAY RECEIVE ENGLISH FOOTBALL "CAP"

## SPECTACULAR CAREER OF FRANKIE SOO

### CRITICS HAIL HIM AS BRITAIN'S FINEST LEFT HALF-BACK

The name of Frank Soo means practically nothing to the majority of footballers and followers of the game in Hongkong and the Far East generally. But in England, the same name suggests to thousands of football "fans" in England that country's probable new left half back in international matches. It is more than likely that Frank Soo, Buxton-born Chinese, who now figures in the Stoke City league team, will gain international honours before the current season is over.

Most of the authorities are agreed that Soo is one of the greatest football artists in the game to-day, and certainly the finest Oriental exponent of the game ever known. He possesses a natural talent which has been carefully and scientifically developed under the tutelage of the Stoke City manager, and his playing so consistently well this season, that he is now being considered as one of the young Chinese receiving cordial press notices.

His career is bound to be of interest to Colony footballers, and it is succinctly stated in the following description which appeared recently in an English football paper.

"England's greatest left half-back at the moment. That is the opinion of the experts regarding Frank Soo, the driving power behind Stoke City's youthful scoring machine. Soo has not had the praises his brilliant play has merited, but gradually it is being forced on the F.A. selectors that here is a player without superior in his position—yes, Copping and Gray included. I saw Soo play against Blackpool recently and it was one of the finest exhibitions of wing half play I have ever seen. It was small wonder the crowd rose to him. He got more cheers than all the other 21 players put together.

Frank is the consummate footballer. He has been four years—I remember his brilliant displays as a schoolboy. Then it was predicted he would play for his country.

#### HONOURS COMING

That distinction has yet to come, but I do not think it will be long before he is duly honoured in representative football. It may not come this season because England seem to have found a settled team, but the day will come.

Soo is the only footballer of Chinese descent in the country, and is one of the finest bargains Stoke City have ever made.

He was born in Buxton and then went to Liverpool, where he gained honours as a schoolboy player. It was strange that neither of the Merseyside Football League clubs picked him up, when he left school and took up a position as a clerk.

Soo signed on for Prescott Cables. At that time he was playing at

inside-right and a fine forward he was, too.

His name was repeatedly cropping up and yet this did not induce the local sides to step in. Stoke did and backed a real winner.

Soo began with the City as an inside-forward when he moved to the Victorian-grounds for a mere "song" in 1932, but his delicacy in construction induced Mr. Tommy Mather, then manager of Stoke, to make him into a left half-back. It was a master stroke.

#### COMPLETE MASTER

He became the prime constructionist of the team. True, he suffered his purely period, during which he lost his place to Sellars, but it was a case of nothing being able to keep a good man down, and Soo has become almost as popular with the Stoke people as Stanley Matthews.

There is no better purveyor of the ball in football. He is masterly in his manipulation and foresight in spotting the right place to slip the ball to.

He is the complete master of positional arts, and a strong tackler. There are points in defence on which he could be faulted, but Soo is one of those rare footballers who concentrate so accurately on attack that they compensate for defensive shortcomings.

The City forwards thrive on his subtle promptings and the England attackers would appreciate his worth in this respect, too.

#### NEWSPAPER TRIBUTE

Recently too, the Daily Herald in reporting the Stoke City v. Charlton match, in which Stoke won by 2-0, said:

"Best man on the field was Soo, whose left half-back play was glorious and had international stamped on every move.

"If the selectors forget his Chinese name—he is Liverpool born—Soo will be capped this season. A great footballer, he is an asset to any team."

## R. Abbit's Cricket Notes On Wednesday

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, our cricket commentator, R. Abbit, has found it impossible to prepare his weekly notes on local games, which usually appear in the Tuesday issues of the Telegraph. In time for publication to-day.

They will appear in all editions of the Telegraph to-morrow (Wednesday).



12,000 SEE "MONTE'S" DEBUT—John Montagu, Hollywood pet, made his debut to the public as golf's mystery man and 12,000 swarmed Fresh Meadow course at Flushing, N. Y., hampering the play and forcing a halt at nine holes. Above is a scene there. Mrs. Sylvia Annenberg (1) paired with Montagu (3). Babe Ruth (2) and Mildred (Babe) Didrikson (4) were 2 up when play stopped.

## PUTTING NEW LIFE INTO COUNTY CRICKET

### DRASTIC PROPOSALS MADE BY THE M.C.C. COMMISSION

DRASTIC recommendations, including the reduction of the number of first-class counties from 17 to 15, starting and ending the season a fortnight later, and the establishment of a County Cricket Fund, are contained in the report of the Commission appointed by the M.C.C. to investigate the problems confronting the first-class county clubs.

The report of the Commission, which was appointed last March and consisted of Messrs. W. Findlay, R. C. N. Palaret and R. H. Mallett with Mr. H. D. Bessemer to assist in an advisory capacity on financial questions, is contained in a document of over 8,000 words.

The recommendations have not yet been discussed by the M.C.C., by the first-class counties, or by the Advisory County Cricket Committee, and the extent to which they will be applied must depend on the views of these authorities.

One of the principal recommendations is the establishment of a County Cricket Fund "to give help to necessitous first-class counties." The fund is to be inaugurated by the contribution by the M.C.C. of the surplus receipts in respect of the 1936-37 tour in Australia.

Thereafter the Commission recommends that 10 per cent. of the profits from both Test and Trial matches in England, and any further surplus receipts from M.C.C. tours overseas, should be allocated to the fund, the capital of which shall remain intact until £20,000 has been reached.

The proposal for the distribution of profits from Test matches in England provides for an allocation of 10 per cent. to the fund, which it is suggested should be administered by the M.C.C. Committee or by trustees nominated by them.

#### REDUCTION OF COUNTIES

One of the most startling recommendations is that the number of competitors in the County Championship should be reduced from 17 to 15. The reduction can be brought about by two counties dropping out or by amalgamations, and a scheme has been prepared by the Commission.

Advantages of this change would be, approximately, 20 fewer inter-county matches, allowing extra representative matches to be played, which would enable the best players to play together as a preparation for Tests and would raise the standard of England cricket.

The Commission recommends, as an experiment, that all counties, especially those able to play matches at the holiday resorts, shall consider starting their programmes not earlier than the second week in May, finishing about the second week in September.

#### NEW POINTS SCHEME

A totally different scheme for scoring points in the championship is put forward, with 12 points instead of 15 for a win and no points to a side losing on the first innings.

Another important proposed change is: "Should a match be finished, the side which leads on the first innings, if it does not win the match, to score four points. Matches in which there is no play or no result on the first innings shall not be included in the table of results."

The Commissioners claim that this scheme should produce more finished games, as the side which led on the first innings and thereby scored four points has the prospect of scoring eight more points.

The side which did not lead on the first innings has the prospect of scoring 12 points. As neither side has anything to lose, there will be every inducement to both sides to go all out for a win and no inducement to either to play for a draw.

Advocating the necessity for "attacking" cricket, the Commission contend that much of the dull play is caused by the bowlers, rather than by the batsmen.

In their opinion, the game has no attraction when fast bowlers persistently bowl short and with only two fieldsmen in front of the wicket. The Commission believe it would be a benefit if captains agreed to discourage negative bowling.

If there is no improvement it may become necessary to resort to a line or lines being drawn across the wicket, beyond which bowlers will be required, under penalty, to pitch the ball.

#### TOO MUCH HEAVY ROLLER

From expert opinion, it is stated that lifeless wickets are not solely the result of "dope," but rather of over preparation in the form of too much rolling with the heavy roller before the match. County authorities are

implored to provide conditions more equal for batsmen and bowlers without being dangerous.

The views of the Commission concerning the hours of play are expressed thus:

"The annoyance caused to spectators by unnecessary delays and overlong intervals would be remedied by uniform hours of play: 11.30 to 3.30 on the first and second days, and 11 to 6 on the third day.

"These must be strictly adhered to, as well as the restriction of the luncheon and tea intervals to 40 minutes and 15 minutes respectively."

It is also insisted that in all cases the outgoing and incoming batsmen pass each other in front of the pavilion.

A significant statement in the report relates to English players and Overseas tours, and it is recommended that clubs, when making agreements with their professionals, shall insert a clause to the effect that no professional shall accept an invitation to tour Overseas unless the consent of the M.C.C. be obtained after consulting his Committee.

#### ENTERTAINMENT TAX

Entertainment Tax has naturally come under the review of the Commission, and one of their recommendations is that the County Committees should consider the advisability of adding Entertainment Tax to the charges for admission at the gate and stands.

It is emphasized that for the seasons 1938-39 the total amount of Entertainment Tax (excluding tax on subscriptions) borne by the counties was approximately £47,500, giving an annual average of £15,833, which considerably exceeds the "Annual Aggregate Deficit" of £10,500 which is incurred in connection with County cricket.

Their investigation into finances reveals the alarming fact that in the staging of inter-county cricket under present conditions the counties are, in the aggregate, paying out £27,000 a year more than they receive.

#### FOUR-YEAR CYCLE

Towards this deficit the counties are, over a four-year cycle, receiving £16,500 a year as a direct result of the visits of Overseas teams, and of this figure £11,000 a year comes from the Australian visit.

Only Kent, Middlesex and Yorkshire are in a position to raise any substantial sums in an emergency without having recourse to appeals or borrowing.

A rearrangement of the basis of distribution of certain receipts or pooling arrangements would not, on the basis of the present revenue, alleviate the general position, but would, in certain circumstances, pass on some portion of the deficit now falling on the weaker counties to those in a stronger financial position and perhaps better able to bear it.

#### Rosslyn Park's Rugby Win

London, Jan. 3. In the only rugby union match of importance to-day, Rosslyn Park, entertaining Festinian Lorettonians won a hard-played match by 22 points to 19.—Reuter.

## SCOTTISH FOOTBALL UPSETS

### Rangers Lose At Home

#### HOLIDAY MATCHES

London, Jan. 3. There were some brilliant achievements by visiting teams in Scottish League football to-day. Rangers were given the surprise of their lives when, as hosts to Partick Thistle, they lost 3-1. On the other hand Celtic, the leaders, went to Queen's Park and won handsomely by 3-0.

St. Johnstone scored an away victory at the expense of Queen's Park and St. Mirren were successful against Hamilton on the latter's ground.

Below will be found the day's results as cabled by Reuter.

#### SCOTTISH LEAGUE FIRST DIVISION

Aberdeen	4	Ayr	0
Aberdeen	3	Inverness	3
Arbroath	3	Third Lanark	3
Clyde	0	St. Mirren	1
Hamilton	0	Dundee	1
Hearts	2	Falkirk	2
Kilmarnock	4	Motherwell	1
Morton	0	Celtic	3
Queen's Park	0	St. Johnstone	3
Queen's Park	2	Partick	3
Rangers	1	Partick	3

#### SECOND DIVISION

Airdrie	2	Raith R.	3
Brechin	3	King's Park	4
Cowdenbeath	4	Dumbarton	1
Dundee	3	Leith	4
East Fife	6	Montrose	2
E. Stirling	4	Dunfermline	2
Forfar	2	Albion	2
St. Bernard's	4	Edinburgh	0
Stenhousemuir	5	Alloa	1

#### ENGLISH LEAGUE THIRD DIVISION (NORTH)

Accrington	4	Wrexham	0
Port Vale	0	Rotherham	0

—Reuter.

## LOCAL CRICKET TEAMS CHOSEN

Army v. K.C.C., first division league, at Sookunpo. Army—Capt. J. R. Mackintosh Walker, Major G. S. Rawstorne, Major G. P. Murray, Lt. R. D. MacLagan, Indram. Chetty, Lt. C. F. Gohby, Lt. R. A. Barron, Lt. C. Beadell, Lt. M. P. Weedon, Lt. C. M. M. Man, Pte. Hallfield. Club v. Navy, second division league, King's Park. Club—E. J. R. Mitchell (Captain), H. Armstrong, C. W. F. Bishop, D. S. Blake, V. C. Bond, J. H. Fox, R. S. W. Paterson, D. B. Robb, W. Stoker, M. R. Swain, F. A. Dunnett (Is), Scorer, R. R. Davies.

## BUDGE-MAKO UNION MAY BREAK UP

### PRICION IN MATCH

London. There is talk in American tennis circles of the famous Budge-Mako doubles partnership being broken up. After their defeat by the British pair, Hughes and Hare, recently, Mako is said to have retorted sharply to a friendly observation by Budge.

Mako is stated to have said that he did not want Budge to tell him how to play doubles—a remark that did not please Budge.

This, together with the report that the American Association would like to see a Budge-Sabin combination, has given rise to the suggestions of a break-up of a combination that won Wimbledon championship and the doubles matches in the Davis Cup competition.

## PEERY, VINES WILL COACH IN U.S.

### England Behind At Helping Young Tennis Players

London. Fred Perry, Britain's No. 1 lawn tennis player as an amateur, is to embark upon an intensive campaign of coaching and encouraging young players.

But Great Britain, Perry's native land, is not to benefit from his efforts. He is to coach boys and girls of the United States, where he now lives and plays as a professional.

In a letter to his father, Mr. S. F. Perry, of Ealing, he states that he and Ellsworth Vines, his rival and partner in many exhibition matches, will begin a tour of eight university towns and schools on January 11, starting at Los Angeles.

Perry and Vines will play a match at each centre, and afterwards students and school children will be able to ask the advice of the professionals, and will be given demonstrations. At each place, too, there will be a local junior tournament, with a year's membership of a leading club as the principal prize.

## VON CRAMM'S CAREER GERMAN ACE PREPARES TO ENTER DIPLOMATIC CORPS

Baron Gottfried von Cramm, Germany's No. 1 player, intends to enter the Diplomatic Corps, according to advices received at Berlin from Tokyo, where von Cramm and other German players were on tour. Meanwhile he is preparing for diplomacy.

In an interview with Japanese newspapermen, von Cramm, who is 28, is reported to have said that he will give up tennis in five years' time.

"Participation in international sport is an excellent preparation for the Diplomatic Service," he said.

For the next few years Baron von Cramm intends to do his best to realise his dearest wish before giving up the game, namely, to help win the Davis Cup for Germany.

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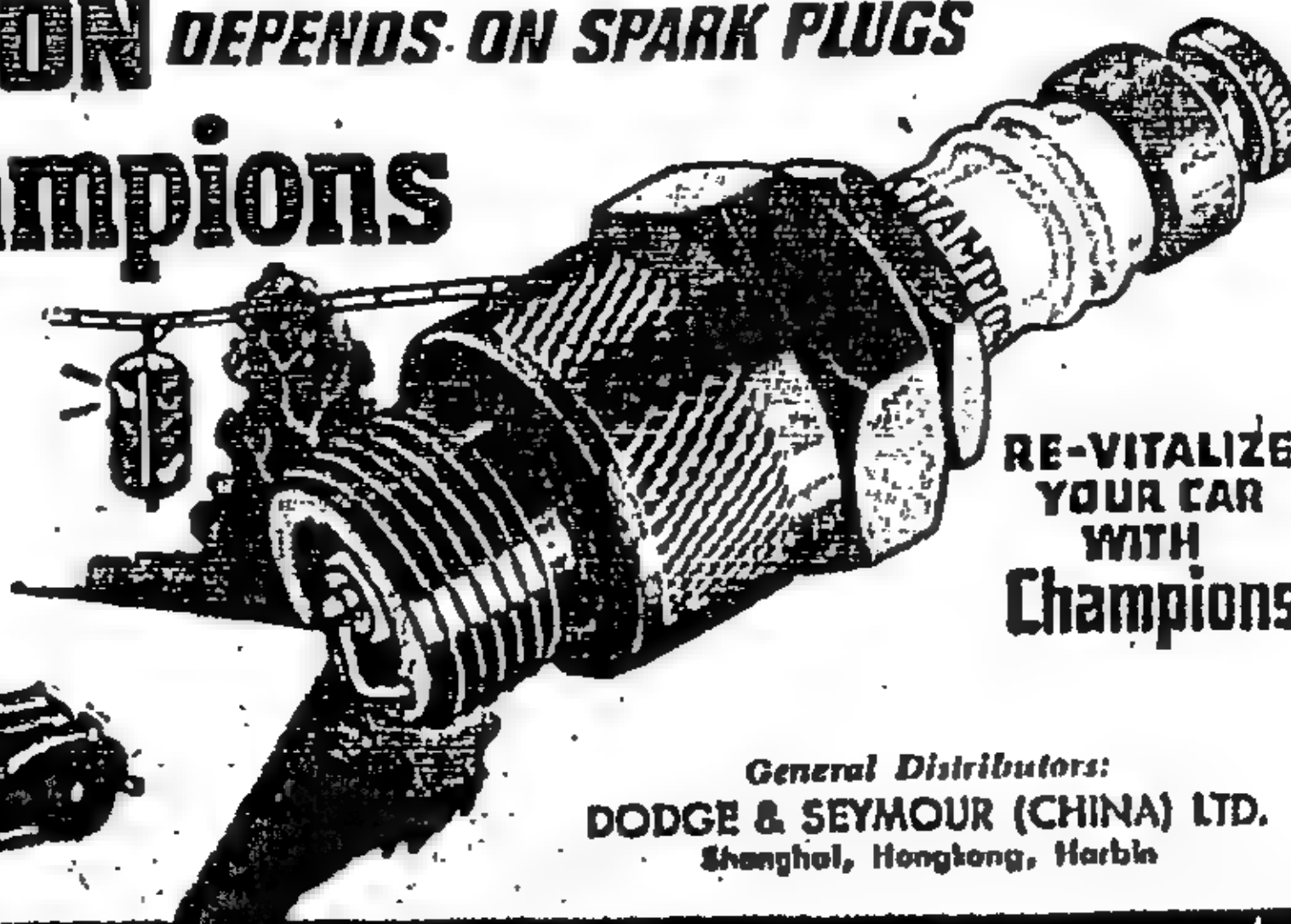
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## NO SOCCER TEAM TO MANILA

Association's Decision At Council Meeting

### HEADQUARTERS MOVE

A presentation to Capt. G. W. P. Kimm, removal of quarters to Holland House and decision not to send a team to Manila were the chief matters dealt with at the meeting of the Hongkong Football Council yesterday.

Making the presentation to Capt. Kimm of two ivory figures, the Chairman (Mr. Pryde) said Capt. Kimm had helped the Council in many ways and for three months had been secretary.

Referring to the visit this month of the Islington Corinthians, Capt. Kimm said the inclusion of Hongkong in the itinerary was undoubtedly due to the high standard of football by the Chinese Olympic team.

Owing to the counter-attraction by the War Relief Fund Association on January 9, the Council decided to put forward the Lal Wai Cup match between the Chinese and the Civilians to January 8, and the Army and Navy match to January 9 on the Kowloon Football Club ground.

The War Relief Fund Association has arranged to stage a match between veteran football players of Canton and Hongkong and, as a curtain raiser, a game in which girls will take part.

### FORGED TICKETS

Mr. C. D. Carter, secretary, pointed out that he attempted to arrest a man for using a forged ticket at the British Isles v. Hongkong match on Sunday. Mr. J. Skinner (Hongkong Football Club) said the man said he bought it from another and pointed out the alleged culprit. An Indian constable arrested him but let him go when he entered the ground. As a result, the evidence necessary could not be obtained and the charge had to be dropped.

The Council decided to remove its quarters to Holland House because of lower rent. The next meeting will be held at the new quarters.

In view of the bad financial position of the Association and the visit of the Islington Corinthians, it was decided not to send a team to Manila this year.

## ENGLAND LOSES THE TEST

### INDIA'S CRICKET ACHIEVEMENT

Calcutta, Jan. 3. In the unofficial cricket test, which ended today, All India and Lord Tennyson's XI scored the same number of runs in their second innings, so All India won by the 93 lead they established in the first innings.

Hardstaff contributed 49 towards the visiting team's total of 192. Amar Singh took 4 for 76 and Mandkar 4 for 74.

Lord Tennyson's XI needed 244 to win with eight wickets to fall. Yesterday when the match was resumed, the wicket had changed and rendered some assistance to the bowlers. As a result 14 wickets fell during the day's play for 272 runs.

When the game was resumed, All India was nicely placed, having scored 250 to which the Tourists had replied with 219 for eight. The Englishmen lost their last two wickets for an additional 38 runs, the innings closing with All India leading by 93.

Battling a second time, the Indians fared badly against Langridge (6 for 41) and Wellard (4 for 97) and were dismissed for 192, leaving Lord Tennyson's team to score 298 to win. When stumps were drawn the Englishmen had lost two wickets for 42 runs—Reuter.

### H.K. REFEREES' ASSOCIATION

#### Annual Meeting On January 10

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Football Referees' Association will be held in the Hongkong Football Association Office, Room 205, Gloucester Hotel on Monday January 10, 1938 at 8 p.m.

Business includes the following:—Consider draft balance sheet and elect two auditors to audit same.

The following will be proposed by L. G. Isley and seconded by D. Kossick:—

"That the Annual General Meeting of this Association be held during the close season at a date to be decided forthwith instead of during the active season as heretofore."

Elect officers and committee for coming year.

## SPORTS IN SOVIET RUSSIA MASSIVE IN SCOPE

### Millions Of Organized Sportsmen And Sportswomen: Slogan: "Ready For Labour And Defence"

Moscow. The sport movement in the Soviet Union is increasingly acquiring the scope of a mass movement.

According to the present data there are at present in the U.S.S.R. 9,000,000 organized sportsmen among them 2,100,000 are women. This figure does not give a complete idea of the vast scale of the development of sport among the Soviet youth because a considerable part of the latter, not being members of sports organisations, engage in physical culture in educational institutions, or in exercises directed by radio, or else acquire training in tourist-excursions, etc. Approximate calculations show that in 1937 over 20,000,000 school-children, and university students have received physical training while about 10,000,000 more people engaged in physical culture exercise in sanatoriums, rest-homes, parks of culture and rest, and by radio.

The principal form of organisations of sportsmen in the U.S.S.R. are voluntary sport societies, of which there are already 83 in the Soviet Union. Besides these, sports organisations exist in the Red Army. The entire organisation of sport in the country is in charge of a special State organ—the All-Union Committee for Physical Culture and Sports under the Council of People's Commissars of the U.S.S.R.

### MASS NATURE

The characteristic feature of Soviet sport is its mass nature. This is best illustrated by the following figures. There are now in the country 649 stadiums, 2,000 sports grounds, 342 winter stations and 2,674 ski-stations. Scores of thousands of sports circles function in workers' and collective farm clubs. In collective farm alone, there are over 25,000 such circles.

The mass nature of the sport movement in the U.S.S.R. is also shown by other facts. The contest for football championship in 1937 attracted 413 teams. The football matches with the Spanish team were attended by over half-a-million spectators. Scores of thousands of sportsmen take part in the summer and autumn cross-country running races, organised in the U.S.S.R. every year. This year, this traditional race counted over 300,000 runners—Red Army men, men and women workers, schoolboys and girls—throughout the Soviet Union.

Winter sports are particularly popular in the U.S.S.R. The mass ski runs of the collective farmers of the Gorky region from the remote districts to the regional centre, provides an example of this. Over 1,000 delegates to the regional congress of collective farm shock brigades participated in this run. Particularity indicative were the ski-drives for the distances exceeding 5,000 and even 8,000 kilometres, as for instance the one effected by a team of frontier guards from Khabarovsk (Far East) to Moscow and that by the young Buryat-Mongolian women from Ulan-Uda to Moscow.

### SPORT SLOGAN

Physical training of the youth, based on scientific principles, and entrusted to experienced teachers who are also well versed in medicine is not divorced from general education; raising their physical training, sportsmen work simultaneously for their general and political education. The slogan of the Soviet sport movement is to prepare people for creative labour and for the defence of the country.

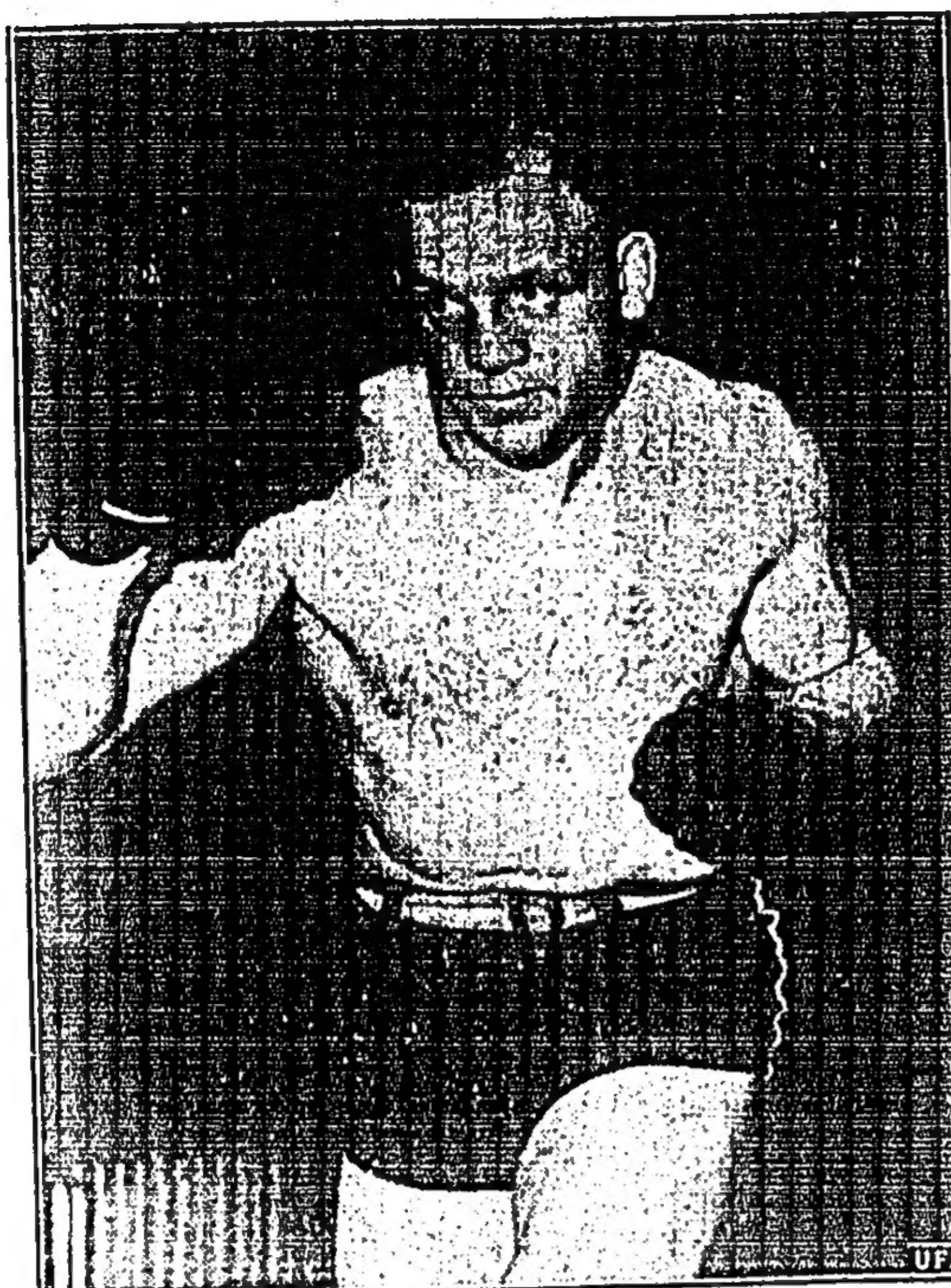
"Ready For Labour and Defence" is the designation of a series of tests which Soviet sportsmen are expected to pass.

People who pass these tests receive a special badge. There are now in the U.S.S.R. 4,361,000 young men and women, who wear such badges, against only 463,000 in 1932. Special tests have been established for school-children and now about half-a-million of them possess such badges.

### REMARKABLY GOOD TIME

Nearly 600,000 sportsmen participated in light athletics contests this past summer, in which 36 new All-Union records were established. The well-known Soviet runner Seraphim Znamensky who is one of the 47 sportsmen, who were lately awarded orders by the Soviet Government, established a remarkable record in a 10,000-metre run in Kiev, having covered this distance in 31 minutes 27.5 seconds.

At the meet of the masters of light athletics, the Ukrainian sports-woman Zoya Sinitkaya showed an exceptional achievement in discus throwing. Her result in the total of both hands—74 metres 23 cm.—considerably exceeds the world record—67 metres 92 cm.—held by the Polish sports-woman Zelzik. At the same meet the young sports-woman Nina Dumbadze of Odessa, aged 18, threw the discus for 44 metres 81 cm. This



This is Harry Thomas, new American heavyweight, who has recently leapt to the forefront in the world of pugilism. Thomas, whose blood is a mixture of French, Irish, Welsh and Scotch, has won 44 out of 56 contests with kayoes.

### CANADIAN GIRLS ON WAY TO SYDNEY Considered Likely To Win At Empire Games

Toronto, Ontario. Canada will be represented by a team of seven girls in the British Empire games in Australia next year.

Those in a position to judge, told Reuter's correspondent that they consider that the best chances of the senior dominion will be in the relay race, the medley relay and the javelin throwing event.

Perhaps the most outstanding performer from this country will be Miss Robbina Higgins of Winnipeg, Manitoba, who has hurled a javelin a distance of 127 feet and it is felt that this performance will be hard to beat.

Heading the sprinters will be Miss Aileen Meagher of Halifax, Nova Scotia, who has run the hundred yards in eleven seconds. Another useful performer for short distances will be Miss Jeanette Dolson of Toronto, Ontario.

The presence of several consistently good runners in the team is calculated to give Canada a good chance in the relay events and it is not forgotten that in the Empire games in London in 1934 this dominion won the medley relay. Besides sprinters and a javelin thrower, Canada will be represented by a hurdler and competitor for the broad and high jump.

### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Angel" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—Ernst Lubitsch's superb directing makes this a memorable film, and he exacts 100 per cent. value from a scintillating cast headed by Marlene Dietrich, Herbert Marshall, Melvyn Douglas and Edward Everett Horton.

"Way Out West" (King's Theatre, to-day).—Hilarious and exhilarating full length feature film of those two inimitable comedians, Laurel and Hardy, which ranks as one of the most important contributions to screen comedy.

"Merry Go Round of 1938" (Alhambra Theatre, to-day).—This medley of acts and characterisations blends with astonishing harmony to make up an extremely attractive entertainment. There is a handsome cast, chief among which figures Billy House, Mischka Auer, Jimmy Savo, Bert Lahr, Alice Brady and Louise Fazenda.

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### KOWLOON GOLF Week-end Starting Times For Laneford Trophy

The Laneford Trophy of the Kowloon Golf Club will be competed for over 36 holes Medal play on Sunday, January 9. The starting times will be as follows:

9.20 a.m. J. D. Thomson and S. J. L. 9.24 a.m. E. M. Hanlon and A. J. 9.28 a.m. E. C. Fincher and A. L. Eastman. 9.32 a.m. W. Groves and W. J. Woolley. 9.36 a.m. E. O. Murphy and F. A. Hill. 9.40 a.m. J. F. Smedley and W. Kershaw. 9.44 a.m. W. Bastin and W. Taylor. 9.48 a.m. T. D. Paton and T. Henderson. 9.52 a.m. H. F. Westlake and A. J. Dennis. 9.56 a.m. C. G. Anderson and J. E. R. Humble. 10.00 a.m. F. C. Barry and M. A. Cairns.

### HOLIDAY COMPETITIONS

The December Medal Pool was won jointly by G. Milne and J. F. Smedley who returned net scores of 68. The New Year Bogey Pool was won by T. Henderson with a return of two down, F. C. Barry being the runner-up with three down.

### OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Angel" (Queen's Theatre, to-day).—Ernst Lubitsch's superb directing makes this a memorable film, and he exacts 100 per cent. value from a scintillating cast headed by Marlene Dietrich, Herbert Marshall, Melvyn Douglas and Edward Everett Horton.

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## THIRD BACK PLAY IN FOOTBALL

### POPULARISED BY ARSENAL

#### League President's Opinion

London. The "third back" or "stopper" play of centre-halves at soccer, popularised by Arsenal and adopted widely in recent years evokes constant criticism, and most followers of the game would like to see a different style of play.

Of course, the present tactics are the outcome of the off-side rule, and critics of present-day centre-half play are mostly agreed that reform should come through a change of this law, which has now been in existence twelve years. Many of those who supported the change are surprised to see the unexpected outcome of it.

Mr. C. E. Sutcliffe, the president of the Football League, has made a few remarks on the subject. "I remember telling Herbert Chapman," he said, "that he was building a monument which would rise higher than the stands at Highbury and that it would be known as 'Arsenal's Folly'."

"It may not be true that Mr. Chapman created the 'stopper,' the 'third back,' or whatever the modern centre-half may be called. My name for the Arsenal player in the position was 'Goalkeeper No. 2,' even though he was not permitted to use his hands."

#### "STOPPER" MADE COMPLETE

"One of Mr. Chapman's strongest characteristics was his readiness to borrow an idea and develop it with remarkable thoroughness, and at least it may be said that he made the 'stopper' more complete than had previously been conceived to be necessary."

"I suppose it was inevitable that the success of the Arsenal should lead other clubs to try to copy their defensive system, and the features which are now pointed to as unfortunate can be traced to this."

"I am waiting for a centre-forward to appear who will not only beat him but prove that his style is wholly mistaken. Patience may be required, but I am sure that this will occur and that it will not need any alteration of rule."

"The centre-forward may not be able to perform the task single-handed. He may require the help of his colleagues, specially, I think, the inside-forwards. The tactics of the game are closely studied to-day, and if any club will plan how the centre-half can be beaten and driven from his entrenchments they will do a great service."

#### MATCH-WINNING EXPEDIENTS

"Fundamentally there is nothing wrong with the game when it is played in the way that has been established to be best. The trouble is the introduction of match-winning expedients largely to suit the make-up-of-the-different-teams."

"It is doubtful, too, whether any change which we brought about by alteration of rule would be lasting. I do not think it would be possible to go back to the old off-side rule. Those who take this view in proclaiming the need for the reformation of triangular wing movements and other features which marked the more precise era of 20 years ago, have a short memory."

"They forget the protests of the public against the frequent stoppages caused by deliberately planned off-side manoeuvres and the game has moved so fast in the meantime that the voice on the terraces would today be raised even more strongly in condemnation of them."

Although its president hopes for the end of the reign of the "stopper," the Football League pins its faith on that type of player. Alf Young, the Huddersfield player, an acknowledged stopper, was chosen at centre-half against the Scottish League at Glasgow, though when he was found out, his place was taken by Cullis, of Wolverhampton. Cullis played quite well, but was replaced by Young for the Irish game at Blackpool.

Obviously the League are waiting for the problem to solve itself, probably by the advent of the man Mr. Sutcliffe looks for, who will think out a scheme to beat the policeman centre-half. Under the present off-side law, however, such a possibility is remote. Perhaps some modification in the law will be made.

Robert Crawford, the Southampton left-half, who has played 499 games in the first, second and third divisions of the League, thinks that some method of counteracting the play of the "stopper" will be found, but believes that at present no club can do without it.

Crawford has had to give way in the Southampton team to a younger and more virile defender. Left-half, though he thinks that he is good for a few more seasons as a player-coach.

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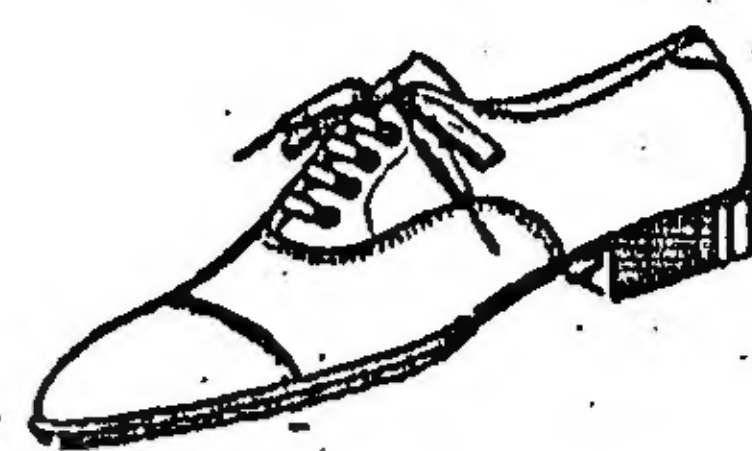
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# Hongkong Telegraph PHOTONEWS

# HAPPENINGS AS SEEN BY THE CAMERA'S EYE



**DEDICATION**—Despite the precarious state of his health, here Pope Pius, seated on his throne and flanked by high dignitaries, presides over the inauguration ceremony of the pontifical Roman Atheneum, built out of his private purse at a cost of about £100,000. The new institute is in connection with the Church of St. John Lateran in Rome. Gestures of His Holiness were said to have been vigorous and decided.



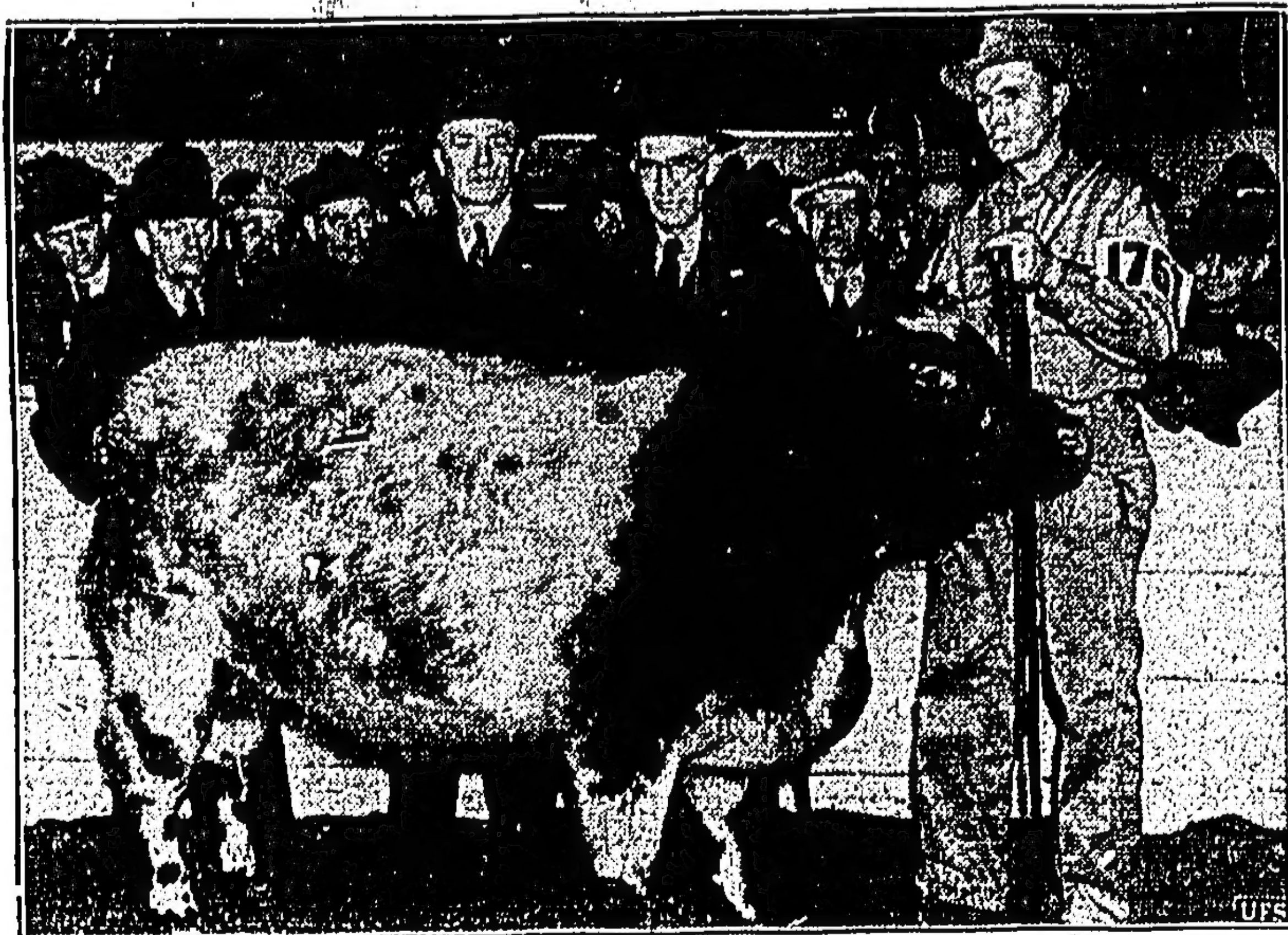
**ITALY'S PIANO PRODIGY**—Six-year-old Paolo Spagnolo, diminutive piano soloist from Italy, who made his American debut recently in New York. Without a trace of nervousness the youngster, garbed in black velvet, mounted his high seat and launched into music by Haydn, Schumann and others that amazed a highly critical audience.



**TAKES LAST REVIEW**—General Henri Gouraud, left, beloved one-armed hero of the French army in the World War, takes his last review in Paris before retiring as Military Governor of the city. He has reached his 70th year. As commander of the French Fourth Army, his strategy was deemed magnificent. Above, a fellow officer reads the General's farewell address.



**JAPANESE PUSH NORTHWARD**—Victorious Japanese pushing their rapid advance northward after capturing Shanghai, are shown as this tank unit rumbles over the road to Taiyuan. As a protection against the winter weather, which has set in, soldiers wear heavy overcoats and other clothing.



**NETS \$2.35 A POUND**—Ashburne Orange, 1,110-pound steer of the International Livestock Exposition at Chicago, that sold at auction for \$2.35 a pound. Shown are, left to right, Professor W. L. Blizard, husbandry head of Oklahoma A. & M. College, exhibiting the steer; Chief Judge Alexander Ritchie of Windsor, England, who put him on the block; William Ritchie, a brother of New Orleans, and Arthur MacArthur, head herdsman of the college.

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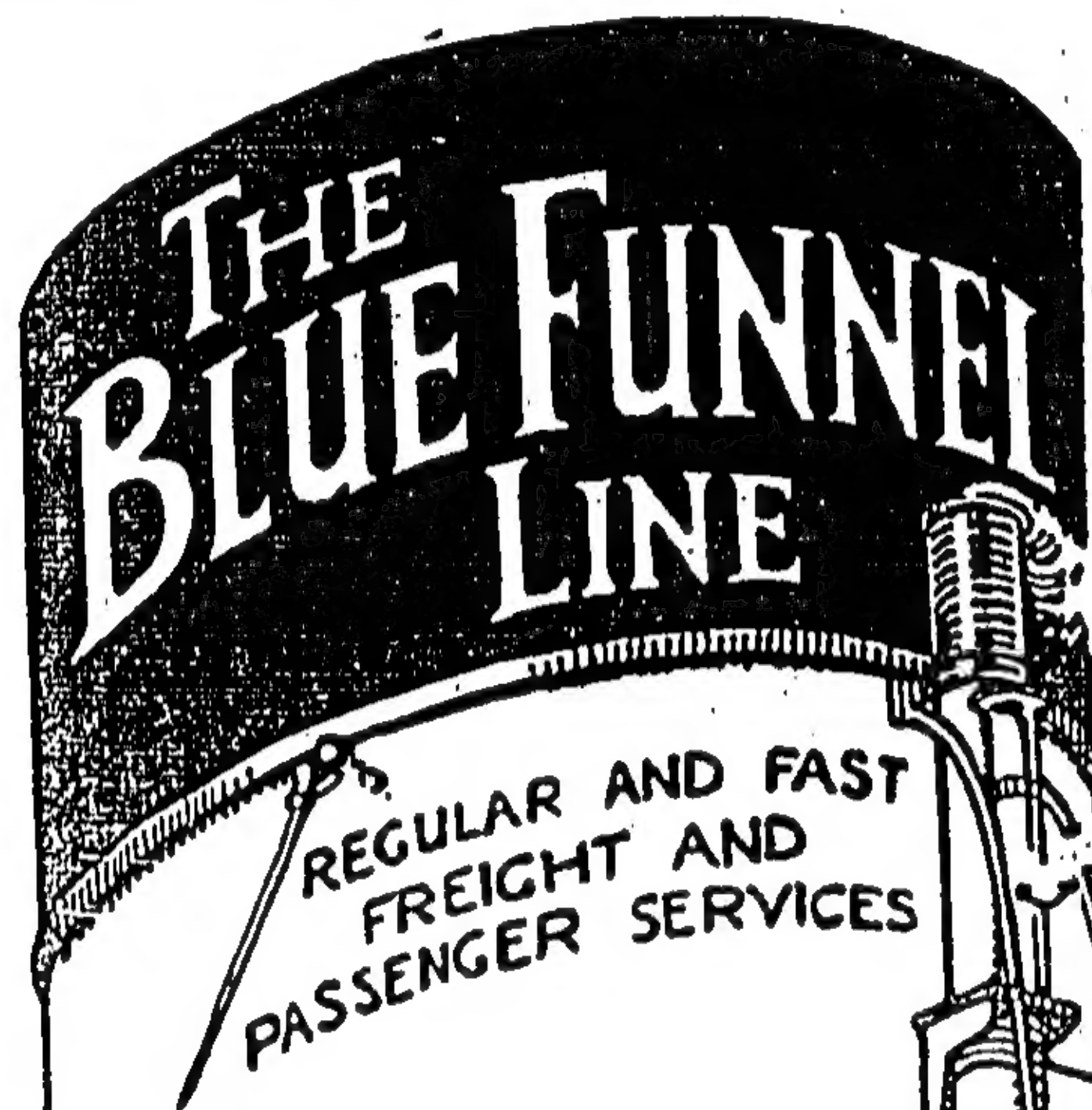
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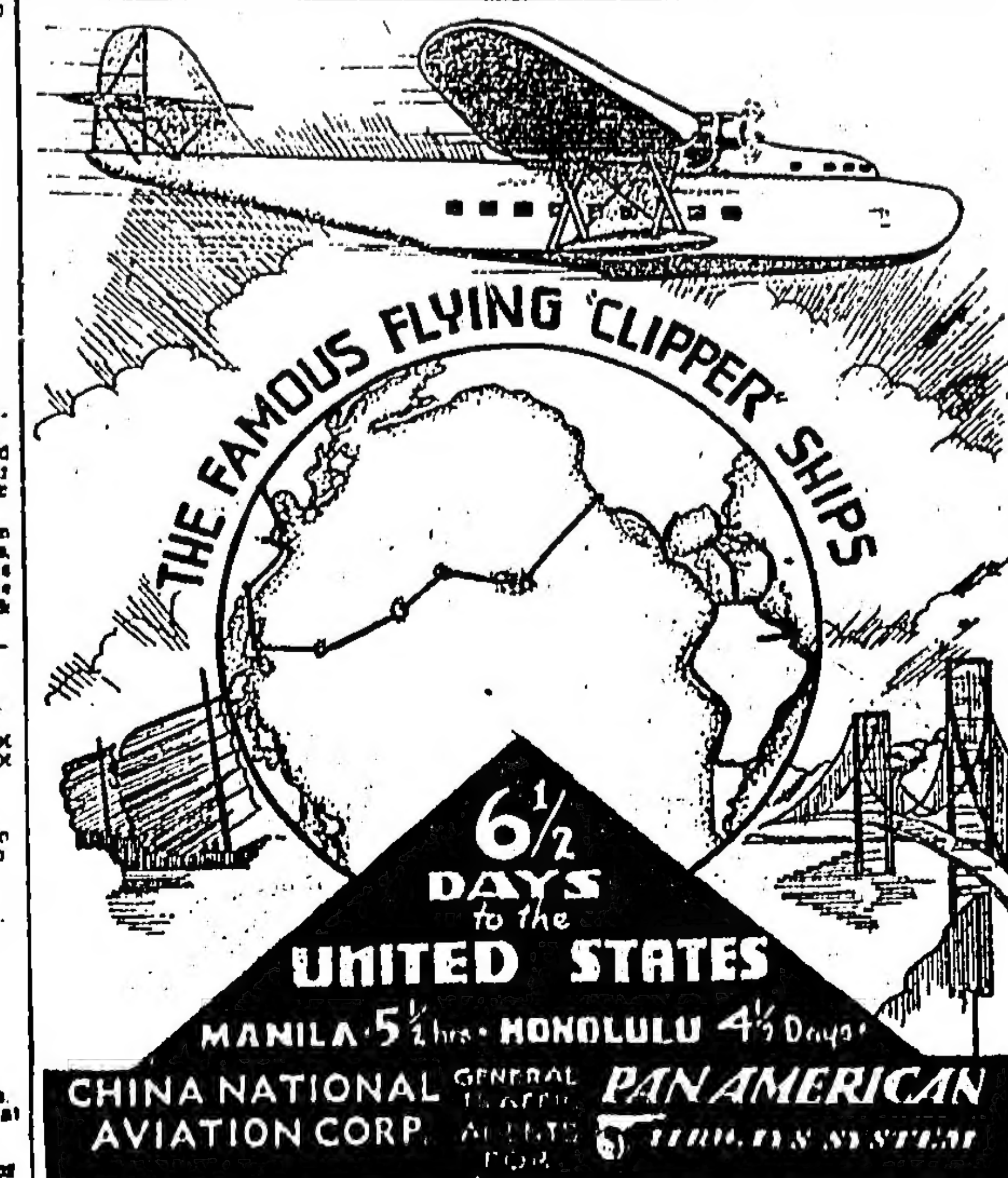
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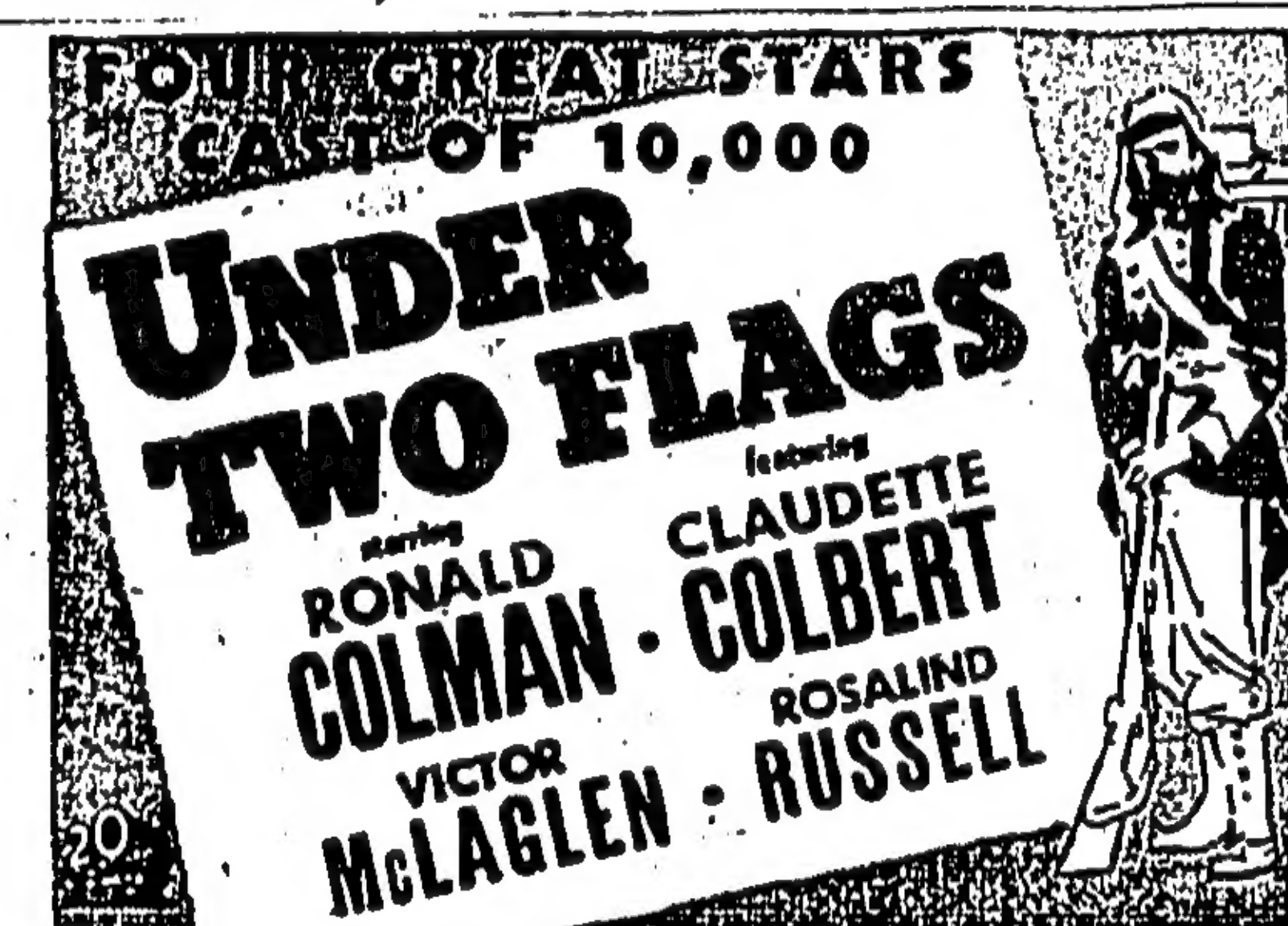


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## Jews Want Membership In Empire

Best Solution Of Palestine Puzzle

London, Jan. 4. The British Zionist Federation, meeting under the presidency of Lady Hanning, to-night passed a resolution affirming the rights of Jews to create their own state and recording its opposition to any solution of the Palestine problem making the Jews a permanent minority.

The resolution requests that the proposed Zionist state should be brought within the British Empire.

The Rev. Perleweiz, Secretary of the British Zionist Association, in an interview with Reuters, explained that this changed view meant that Jews did not like mandates less but the British Empire more.

The Secretary added: "Recently we decided to reformulate our ideas stressing our urgent desire to come within the Empire. We have held back hitherto because of a desire not to embarrass British policy. But anti-British propaganda in the Near East has attained such a pitch that silence is now impossible."

The Rev. Perleweiz emphasised that he spoke only for the British Zionists, but claimed 95 per cent. of the Palestine Jews would welcome such a decision with enthusiasm.

Later, the Executive Council of the British Zionist Federation adopted the resolution. —Reuters.

## JAPAN HAS LESSON TO LEARN

Quo Tai-chi Has Faith In China's Endurance Power

London, Jan. 3. Mr. Quo Tai-chi, Chinese Ambassador to London, in discussing the Japanese peace terms said: "The inevitable impression of these terms is that they apply not only to China, but to the world, and they can only be described as Pax Japonica. The Japanese have a peculiar conception of peace, both in their methods of approaching it and then securing it. These are the terms of an army flushed with a momentary triumph, not of a finally victorious nation, a position which Japan has yet to achieve."

"Japan has twice begged China to sue for peace, but there can be no enduring peace except on an honourable basis. These terms equally ignore China's rights as an independent and sovereign state, and cynically belittle Japan's many protestations that she will strictly respect the rights of the other power," he declared.

"She has yet to learn the full measure of the Chinese ability as a united people to endure any sufferings in their determination to resist to the end." —Reuters.

## Studies Pacific Shipping Data

J. P. Kennedy Coming To U.S. West Coast

Washington, Jan. 3. Mr. Joseph P. Kennedy, the Maritime Commissioner, enroute for San Francisco on Tuesday for informal conferences regarding the projected transfer of large Panama-Pacific liners to the Eastern coast and South America service. He is reported to be seeking to obtain compliance from West coast shipping owners and Chambers of Commerce who are strenuously objecting to the transfer.

However, it is reliable that he will also investigate the Dollar Line situation. It is recalled that the Dollar Line is mapping a reorganisation programme in order to resume ocean mail contracts. Meanwhile the company is suing the Government for more than \$5,000,000 for abrogated mail contracts.

Mr. Kennedy may investigate the entire Pacific maritime situation, including facilities to Hawaii and the Philippines and also may inquire into naval defences and the military situation from the Pacific viewpoint in order better to discuss the Pacific-Oriental situation with British naval authorities in the event of his being appointed Ambassador to London. —Jiffed Press.

## Leaps Three Storeys And Still Lives

Mok Wong-chuen, a 21-year-old woman, leaped over the third floor verandah of her home in Wanchai Road yesterday. She was removed to the Queen Mary Hospital. Astonishingly, she is still alive, though her injuries are serious.

## FAMOUS WRITER PASSES

"Rita" Had Over Million Readers

Mrs. W. Desmond Humphreys

London, Jan. 3. Mrs. W. Desmond Humphreys, whose prolific output of novels written under the pseudonym of "Rita" had more than a million readers, has died in London.

Since 1897, when she wrote the extraordinary total of 24 novels or approximately one a fortnight, Mrs. Humphreys has published over a hundred books.

"The Marriage Comedy" and "Recollections of a Literary Career," the latter being her autobiography, were the last books from her pen.

She was born in Inverness-shire and went to Australia, where she was educated, when a child.

Later she travelled a good deal, visiting the Far East during one of her tours.

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## Dictators To Travel Road Of Triumph

Rome Plans Welcome For Der Fuehrer

Rome, Jan. 3. A new railway station is to be built at Rome for Herr Adolf Hitler's visit next Spring. The distance from the present station to the Palazzo Venezia is too short for the magnificent Roman triumph which it is planned to give the Fuehrer. Moreover, the way does not lead to the excavated remains of ancient Rome.

The new station will be built just outside the city walls, and then the Dictators will be able to drive along the Triumphal Way by the imposing road built by Il Duce along the route of the ancient emperors after their successful wars. The Dictators will then be able to drive past the Palatine Hill and Colosseum, under the Arch of Constantine and along the Imperial Way to the excavated remains of the Forum and the Palazzo Venezia. —Reuters.

## LONDON APPLAUDS ROOSEVELT

Democracies Move On Parallel Lines Of Policy

London, Jan. 3. The tone and substance of President Roosevelt's speech to Congress has been much welcomed in authoritative British circles. The President's heartening remarks with regard to democracy are considered to be particularly timely and are entirely shared here, as also was his reference to treaty obligations.

It is clear there is complete unity of view with regard to what President Roosevelt calls "the surface trend away from democratic forms."

Clearly, also, British and American thought is working in the same direction and British and American statesmen have the same way of looking at these things. This, coupled with close collaboration and the exchange of information and opinion, which has long been the practice between the two countries, should facilitate following individual, but parallel, courses. —Reuters.

## Uproar In Egyptian Parliament

Cairo, Jan. 3. Uproar broke out in the Egyptian Parliament when the Secretary read the proposition decreed Nasser Pasha was called to order when he rose to speak, but he remained on his feet shouting: "In the name of the Fatherland!" The President cleared the press and public galleries in the ensuing pandemonium. Only after the lights had been switched off did the Deputies withdraw. —Reuters.

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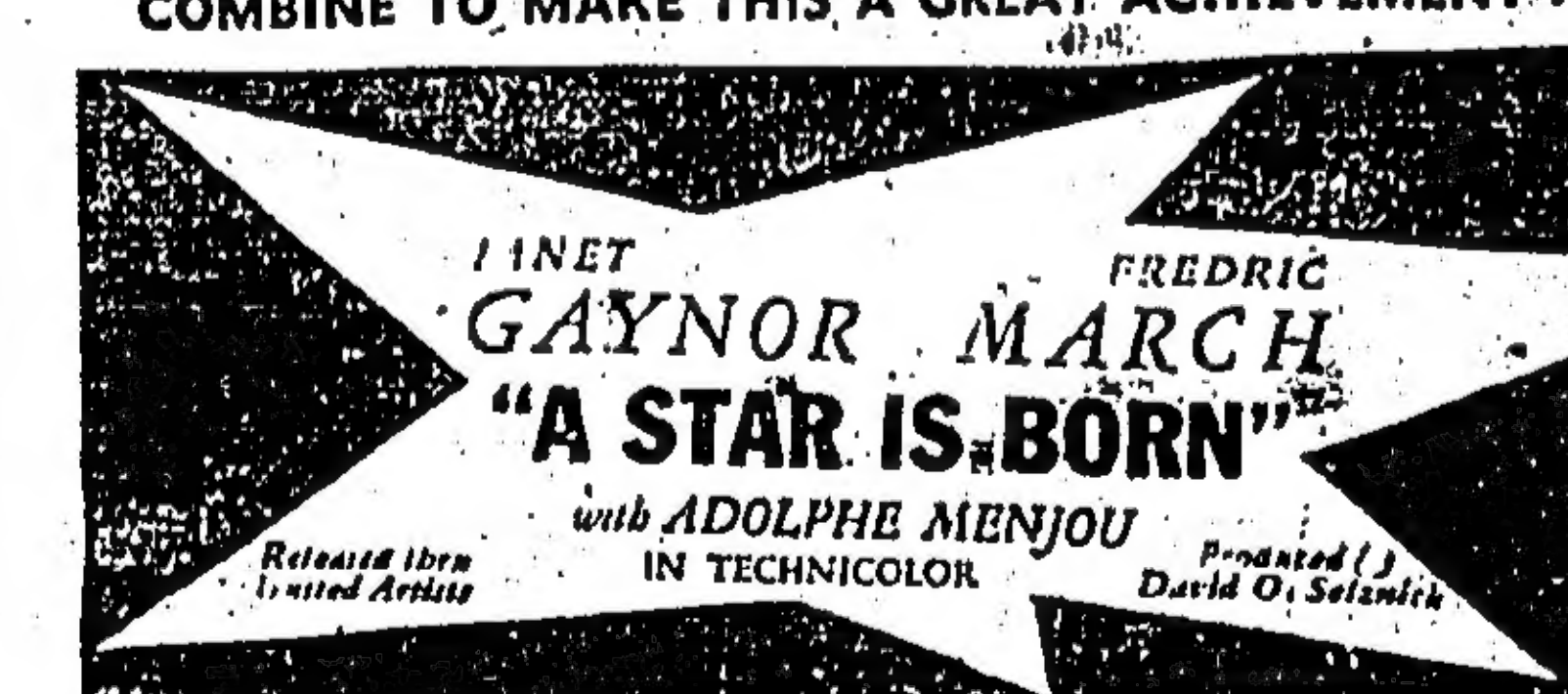


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